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## WAR DEBTS DISCUSSED BY MR. MACDONALD AND MR. ROOSEVELT

### BRITAIN'S BOYCOTT OF SOVIET

Embargo In Operation  
From Last Night.

SIR J. SIMON'S CONFIDENCE  
IN VICKERS EMPLOYEES

London, To-day.

The British embargo on Russian imports, imposed as a result of the Moscow trial of the six British engineers of Metropolitan Vickers, came into operation after the closing of the Customs Office at 5 p.m. yesterday evening.

The embargo, affects 80 per cent. of Soviet imports.

Answering a House of Commons question yesterday regarding the Moscow trial, Sir John Simon, Foreign Secretary, said that the four Metropolitan Vickers engineers who had already arrived in England had been interviewed at the Foreign Office and had insisted most strongly that their two comrades, Messrs. Thornton and Macdonald, who were still detained were as completely innocent as they themselves.

Having seen the four men himself, Sir John Simon said that he was completely convinced that the accusations against them were ill-founded, and that the action of the British Government in relation to the whole matter was entirely justified. — Reuter and British Wireless Service.

### WALL ST. BOOM CHECKED

Silver Demand Eases  
Slightly.

TRADING SHOWS DECLINE

An uncertain tone reigned on the New York Stock Market yesterday, and a big drop in business resulted, only 3,500,000 shares being dealt in as compared with 4,810,000 on Monday.

In their report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company state: "The irregularity is more pronounced and the market is mixed and hesitant. We would wait a bit before making commitments on the long side."

"Wheat: Profit-taking was less enthusiastic and demand caught stop-loss orders at the close. Cotton was absorbed by heavy profit-taking and well supported by trade buying."

"Silver demand is growing less intense and the outlook seems to resolve itself round the problem of additional news."

"A 60 cent dividend on United States Steel Preferred Stock, has been declared."

Bond averages showed an upward trend, rising 15 to 75.20, but industrial, rail and utility averages declined 1.24, .97 and .42 to 72.45, 80.11 and 28.28 respectively. — Reuter.

### NAZI PERSECUTION OF JEWS.

School Restrictions  
Imposed.

Berlin, To-day.

The children of Jewish immigrants who have arrived in Germany from the East since the beginning of the war have been totally excluded from State schools and Universities under a law adopted by the Cabinet.

The decree also further restricts the numbers of Jews admitted to State schools. — Reuter.

### BRITAIN'S BUDGET BALANCED

### TAXATION PROPOSALS DETAILED

### CHANCELLOR'S HOPES OF WORLD CO-OPERATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED REDUCTIONS AND INCREASES IN TAXATION, MOST OF WHICH ARE OF A MINOR NATURE, WERE GIVEN BY THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER, MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN WHEN INTRODUCING HIS BUDGET TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. THE SURPLUS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE IS £1,291,000.

The Chancellor said that he was not proposing this year to make any provision for the redemption of debt. In these times of unemployment and stress and trade depression, they could in his opinion, use money more wisely and profitably, provided generous provision was made for debt redemption when good times came again.

The reversion to the half-yearly system of income tax, he said, would benefit tax payers to the extent of £2,750,000. Its cost would be mainly borne by the depreciation fund amounting to £7,000,000, attached to the 5 per cent. war loan, which under the prospectus of the 3 1/2 per cent. conversion loan, was no longer required. This non-recurring item would thus be used to meet a non-recurring loss of revenue.

THE CHANCELLOR, CONCLUDING HIS SPEECH, REFERRED TO THE WASHINGTON CONVERSATIONS AND DECLARED THAT THE MOST HOPEFUL PROSPECT OF ANY CONSIDERABLE ADVANCE TO PROSPERITY LAY IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER NATIONS.

The main alterations in taxation proposed by him were a reduction of 2/- per barrel, equivalent to 1d. per pint of beer, the quality of which would be improved; a reversion to the system of half-yearly equal payments of income tax in place of the present system, whereby three-quarters of the tax is to be found in the first half-year;

A reduction in tax on companies raising new capital, from £1 to 10d. per cent.; a reduction from 4 1/2 per cent. to 3.3 per cent. in tax on arrears of death duties and excess profits is also made.

### Tax Increases.

Increases proposed include 1d. per gallon on heavy hydro-carbon oils to operate from last night, effected by a reduction in rebate on them from 8d., which is the full amount of duty, to 7d. The main oils affected are fuel gas, lubricating oil and kerosene, the yield being equivalent to £2,000,000 in a full year on the large stocks of these oils already in Britain.

Other increases are the raising of duty on imported matches to 4/9d. per gross, with a yield in a full year, of £100,000.

The raising of duty from 6d. to 1/- on mechanical lighters and to 1/6d. when these are imported and a 6/- surtax on British sparkling wines.

The Chancellor also promised a considerable increase in taxation of heavy motor vehicles to take effect from January 1, next.

The yield from this source in a full year will be £1,750,000, and will go to the road fund.

He also stated that the machinery of the Import Duties Advisory Committee would be applied to artificial silk.

### Revenue And Expenditure.

Estimated revenue for year was £889,770,000 and the expenditure £897,482,000, thus leaving a surplus of £1,291,000. The Chancellor said that expenditure last year was £777,000,000 and revenue was £745,000,000. The deficit of £32,000,000 would be met by borrowing. But for the war debt payment of £20,000,000 to the United States, for which no provision had been made in the Budget, the deficit would have been £52,000,000.

### "SAFE BUT DULL" BUDGET

Little Enthusiasm  
In Britain.

CHANCELLOR'S LACK OF  
IMAGINATION

London, To-day.

The "Safe but dull" Budget arouses very little enthusiasm. Even the pro-Government "Times" charges the Chancellor with a lack of imagination.

The essential soundness of the financial situation and the ominous shrinkage of sources of taxation are widely held to justify bolder experiments to assist trade recovery. Nevertheless, the noteworthy changes in taxation are more political than financial.

The tax on heavy oil will protect coal.

The new impost on heavy motors is designed to help the groaning railways, while the cheaper beer terms will provide the brewers with the use of a greater proportion of home-grown barley.

The estimated shrinkage of £52,000,000 in fixed debt charge is taken to imply the continuance of very cheap money, though the bulk of the charge is already saved through conversion operations. — Reuter.

That result, achieved in the teeth of so many difficulties, should give more solid satisfaction than the contemplation of surpluses earned in more prosperous times, Mr. Chamberlain said. He compared the present prices of Government securities with those of a year ago and maintained that immense financial benefits would not have been secured if the Government had not insisted on a balanced Budget.

Despite the shrinkage of international trade and the continued high level of unemployment, the purchasing and saving power of the people in Britain had been maintained to a very remarkable degree, and the Post Office deposits had risen by over £15,000,000 and the Trustee Savings Bank business by £1,750,000. (Continued on Page 7.)



The most difficult jump in the world's hardest steeplechase. The Grand National field taking Bechers Brook on the first circuit of the Aintree Course, Liverpool. Eighteen of the 35 starters finished the course, Mrs. F. Ambrose Clarke's "Kellsboro' Jack" (D. Williams up), winning at 25-1, in record time of 9 minutes 28 seconds. — (S. & G.)

### EARTHQUAKE CLAIMS HEAVY CASUALTY TOLL

74 Bodies Recovered;  
Over 400 Injured.

HAVOC ON KOS ISLAND,  
NEAR TURKEY

Old Quarter Of Greek Town  
Destroyed

Kos, To-day.

Seventy-four bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the old quarter of the town of Kos on Kos Island in the Dodecanese Archipelago, following a violent earthquake which shook the Island on Sunday.

The total number of casualties is not yet known, but over 400 are injured, many seriously. The old quarter of the town was destroyed.

Warships have been despatched to the scene with doctors and nurses and supplies for the stricken town.

Kos Island, which lies a few miles off the south-west coast of Turkey, is one of the largest islands in the Dodecanese Archipelago, having an area of 110 square miles. It is populated mostly by Greeks. The town of Kos has just over 8,000 residents. — Reuter.

### CHINESE ADVANCE CONTINUES

Vanguards On Outskirts  
Of Changli.

LUAN RIVER AREA  
LUAN RIVER AID

Peking, To-day.

The Chinese continue their advance along the Peking-Mukden Railway following the Japanese withdrawal from the Luan River region, and the Chinese vanguards are now on the outskirts of Changli.

The railway track between Shili and Anshan, as well as the telegraph and telephone lines, have been restored and the train service is expected to resume shortly. Chinese reports state that it is believed the Japanese will withdraw to the left bank of the Shingho, evacuating both Pailiao and Chingwan. — Reuter.

### BRIGHTER HOPES FOR ANGLO- ARGENTINE TRADE AGREEMENT

Mr. Walter Runciman To Make  
Statement To House Of Commons

London, To-day.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, hopes to be in a position to make a statement in the House of Commons to-day, for a trade agreement with the Argentine.

Some difficulty has been experienced in reaching an agreement since the visit to London, last month, of the Argentine Trade Delegation. — British Wireless Service.

### AMOY PIRACY REPORTED

Chinese Steamer  
Attacked.

FULL DETAILS NOT YET  
AVAILABLE

A Chinese-owned steamer, a. Sanh Sing, has been pirated just outside of Amoy.

Although notification in the form of a wireless message addressed to the Coastal Office was not received at the Government Radio Office until this afternoon, the outrage is stated to have occurred at 10 a.m. yesterday, and it is thought that the vessel has only just been released from the hands of the pirates.

There are no local agents for the owners of the ship, and her name is not listed in Lloyd's Register.

### MIXED MARRIAGES IN CALIFORNIA

Prohibited To Whites  
And Filipinos.

Sacramento

Governor James Rolph, to-day signed two bills prohibiting the marriage of Whites and Filipinos in California.

The measures were introduced after the California supreme court held that the law prohibiting Mongolians and Whites from marrying did not apply to Filipinos and Whites. Such an interpretation had been in practice in California for some time. — U.P.

### 2,000 GUINEAS AT NEWMARKET THIS AFTERNOON

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Favourite.

28 STARTERS FOR FAMOUS  
TURF CLASSIC

London, To-day.

The scratching of Blue Grass at 11.15 a.m. yesterday left 28 starters for the Two Thousand Guineas to be run over a mile at Newmarket this afternoon.

Steve Donoghue made an eleventh hour change when he took Titian instead of Restormel. Steve's brother, Pat, will be out on The Keen. A. Wragg has displaced James on Scarlet Tiger, which is quoted at 100 to 8, and Lane, last year's Derby winner on April the Fifth, is taking out Melfort instead of Martin.

Weston has changed his mount. He will ride Colerow at 10 to 1, while Wells has been given Highlander. Restormel is now the only horse without a rider.

Gordon Richards is up on Manitoba, favourite for to-day's classic and the Derby, and all indications point towards a win for the champion. Fred Fox, his nearest rival, is taking Solar Boy to the post, but he is not expected to figure prominently.

Joe Childs on Statesman is expected to prove the biggest danger to Manitoba.

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### DOLLAR STEADY AT 1/4.

Pound Declines As  
Silver Rises.

The local dollar remained steady this morning at 1/4, following its advance yesterday.

Silver prices again showed a substantial increase yesterday, the spot price advancing 1/4 to 20 7/16 while forward silver rose 1/4 to 20 1/2.

The pound showed a slight decline yesterday, the London on New York and the New York on London rates closing at 24.28 1/2 and 24.28 1/2 respectively, as against 24.29 1/2 and 24.29 1/2 respectively on 24th. — U.P.

### NO PLAN OR SETTLEMENT UNDER WAY

Reach Basis Of Clear  
Understanding.

"MOST FRIENDLY PROGRESS  
HAS BEEN MADE"

Conversations To Be Continued  
In Capitals

Washington, To-day.

The fact Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the British Premier, and President Franklin D. Roosevelt discussed the war debts yesterday, and reached a "Basis of clear understanding on the situation affecting the two nations" was disclosed in a communique issued to-day.

The communique added that no plan or settlement was under way, but the most friendly progress had been made, and the conversations would be continued in London and Washington. — Reuter.

### BIMETALLISM CONSIDERED AT WASHINGTON

Anglo-American Talks  
Successful

AN UNDERSTANDING FOR  
MONETARY STABILISATION

Washington, To-day.

The Anglo-American conversations will be concluded here to-night. Progress has exceeded the expectations of both sides.

It is learnt that a general basis of understanding has been reached, and includes an actual basis for monetary stabilisation.

It is understood that the Anglo-American and Franco-American talks dealt with some form of bimetallicism and the substitution of silver as currency backing commensurately with the reduction of gold cover. — Reuter.

### World Economic Conference.

TO OPEN ON JUNE 12.

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and President Roosevelt have agreed on June 12 as the date for the opening of the World Economic Conference. — Reuter.

### War Debts.

NO DEBT PROVISION IN  
BRITISH BUDGET.

London, To-day.

Regarding the War debt, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in presenting the Budget to the House of Commons, said in the year 1923-24 they were liable to pay the United States £51,000,000.

Against this, they would receive from reparations and war debts, £64,500,000. But none of these figures representing either assets or liabilities, could be said to be fixed.

Therefore, he proposed this year to adopt the same principle as last year, and make no provision for payments or receipts to and from these countries. — British Wireless Service. (Continued on Page 8.)







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## BRIDGE NOTES

### A COMMON ERROR. UNSOUND NO-TRUMPS. BY CAPT. LINDSAY MUNDY.

One of the most frequent errors into which the forward or pushing player is prone to fall is to open the bidding with One No-Trump on a hand which does not contain the necessary qualifications.

In doing this he is actuated by the quite laudable desire to take the initiative and cramp the style of the opposition, but he loses sight of the fact that at the same time he is misleading his partner, with the consequence that he is doing more harm than good. The exchange of correct information between partners is the whole essence of the game, and is vitally more important than an attempt, usually futile, to mislead the opponents.

The following hands well illustrate this theorem:

West East  
S—K, Q, x, x A  
H—J, 10, x K  
D—A, Q, J, x x, x  
C—J, x A, K, 10, x, x, x, x  
West dealt and bid One No-Trump, although he had two unguarded suits. East quite rightly jumped to Six Clubs. North led the Ace of Hearts, and followed it by the 9 of Diamonds.

East could not afford to lose another trick, and felt fairly certain that the King of Diamonds was sitting over the Ace, as, in fact, it was. East's trouble, of course, lay in the difficulty of getting West (the dummy) in to make the King-Queen of Spades after the Ace of Spades had gone. He judged that his best chance was to try to drop the Queen of Clubs on the first round, thus making the knave a card of entry. This did not come off, so he was one down.

### UNGUARDED SUITS.

The failure of the contract was entirely due to West being unguarded in two suits. If he had had Q, J, x of Hearts the No-Trump bid would have been sound, and the contract would have been made by putting up the Ace of Diamonds on trick 2, leading the Queen of Hearts and discarding the King-Queen of Spades, thus making the King-Queen of Spades, and losing only one Diamond.

The correct opening bid of One Diamond, with which West's hand counts just four probable tricks, would have been followed by Five Clubs, and the game would have been made.

Here is another case in which a similar error in the opening bid also led to disaster:

West East  
S—Q 10 x x x  
H—A K J 10 x x  
D—A Q 10 x x  
C—J x x x x A K Q x x

Again West dealt and bid One No-Trump, which was followed by Two Spades from North. On account of his Club holding East thinks that West must be guarded in the other three suits, and naturally does not suspect that the guard in Hearts will be a singleton Ace. He also judges from North's bid that not much of West's strength will be in Spades.

A minimum bid of Three Hearts would not be by any means reveal the strength of his hand, so he must jump to Four at least, and I think he is justified in going to Five, but he failed to make even four.

West's No-Trump was, I think, a bad call. Two suits only half guarded and a singleton Ace in the third suit disqualify the hand for that bid, but a One Diamond opening would be quite sound, the hand counting four probable tricks, 2½ in Diamonds, 1 in Hearts and a half between Spades and Clubs. With that opening North would have called only One Spade. East would have pre-empted Three

Hearts, West Three No-Trumps. East would then show Four Clubs, West Five Clubs, and the game would be made.

There is an important point to note here regarding this bid of Four Clubs over Three No-Trumps. Usually it is inadvisable to take your partner out of a game contract of Four of a minor suit. This is usually erroneously done on account of having bid that suit previously without holding the top honours.

There is no reason to suppose that the No-Trump hand does not hold them, so that that rescue bid should only be made if you desire to be raised to Five of your minor suit if he does hold those honours. But the case we have been discussing is quite different, because East had already pre-empted in Hearts, therefore his Four Club bid could not possibly be in the nature of a rescue. It must mean a strong Club holding, inviting game in that suit if it suits the partner's hand, otherwise a return to Hearts or No-Trumps.

### A CULBERTSON POINT.

I have been severely upbraided by a Culbertson "fan" for stating that while the Direct System calls for a response to a Three bid in a major suit on one trick, the Three-bids of approach bidders cannot be raised so lightly, as they are liable to be of the "shut-out" variety.

Yet Culbertson's manual says a response should be given on a plus Honour trick, which I take to mean an Honour trick and a plus value. Then again, I read in this month's "British Bridge World" that Culbertson's latest changes in his system include a tightening of the Three-bid in major suits, which now become partly pre-emptive, which in America means "shut-out," and partly strength showing. Surely my words, "liable to be of the shut-out variety," are a perfectly good paraphrase of his own.

## "NAGANA," AT THE CENTRAL.

Special Review Of Film By "Diane."

### WILD ANIMAL THRILLS.

A combination of animals, scientific experiment, and an attractive woman—thus you have the new picture in a nutshell. Melvyn Douglas does the "Arrowsmith" stuff, and attempt to find a serum that cures the sleeping sickness, known to the African natives as "Nagana." He is all that the audience thinks a hero should be, that is to say, he acts quite well and looks handsome.

Tala Birell has too little to do, hardly more than she had in her previous appearance here in "The Doomed Battalion." The Japanese Doctor acts well, and Onslow Stevens makes a fleeting appearance.

The scenes of natives dancing, walling, and gnashing their teeth, are authentic, and are cleverly added to the rest of the film. Perhaps I am extra sensitive where animals are concerned, but I can hardly say that I enjoyed the sights of animals tearing each other to pieces, and a panther appeared through the eye.

At the end of the story I was not sure if the hero had had the good fortune to place his precious tube of serum in his vest pocket. For the sake of those dying of the dread disease, I fervently hope so. The whole thing is fantastic, but it has box-office appeal, so it is not for us to quibble over trifling mistakes made by an over-eager scenario writer. All the thrills come from the animal actors.

## RADIO

### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor & H.M.V. records.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra by courtesy of the Management. (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News. Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Class Down.

4.30-7 p.m.—Chinese programme.

6.45 p.m.—Children's Concert.

7-10.30 p.m.—European programme.

7.15 p.m.—An American in Paris (Gerahwin) Victor Symphony Orchestra with George Gerahwin 58988-4.

7.30-8.10 p.m.—Variety.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

Chorus—Musical Comedy Marches.

Humorous—Light Opera Co. C2501.

Humorous—Mary Ellen's Hot Pot Party.

Song—Say It Isn't So Gracie Fields B4317.

Humorous—The National Programme (Broadcasting Burlesque) C2504.

Song—Mah Lindy Lou.

Orchestral—Ma Curly-Headed Baby.

Orchestral—Paul Robeson (Bass) B4309.

Orchestral—Once Upon a Time—Selection New Mayfair Orchestra B4323.

8.10-8.45 p.m.—Operatic.

Vocal Gems—"Cavalleria Rusticana" (Mascagni) "Pagliacci" (Leopoldo).

Victor Opera Co. 58932.

Band—Meditation—Prologue.

Band—Meditation, arr. Creator.

Selections from Medtastele (Boito, arr. Creator).

Creator's Band 35971.

Vocal Gems—"Tales of Hoffman" (Offenbach) "Mignon" (Thomas).

Victor Opera Co. 35975.

Orchestral—Jewels of the Madonna—Intermezzo (Wolf-Ferrari).

Victor Symphony Orch. 35976.

8.45-9.25 p.m.—

Ethelbert Nevin Selections sung and played by the Victor Salon Group and Orchestra directed by Nathaniel Shilkret, C-1.

A Lecture on What The Stars Foretell for those born between 20th April and 20th May, by Professor R. B. Naylor B4290.

(This is one of a series of records that may be purchased at Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.)

Ahl Sweet Mystery of Life—Selections from "Naughty Marietta"

Ahl Sweet Mystery of Life—Selections from "The Fortune Teller"

Kiss Me Again—Badinage—Air de Ballet and Al Fresco—March of the Toys—Selections from "Babes in Toyland"

Selections from "Sweethearts"—Selections from "The Red Mill"

9.30-10.30 p.m.—From the Studio.

Selections by The Cheero Band with vocal choruses by Mr. G. F. d'Aquino and Mr. J. G. Grahman.

Programme

"Theme Song"

1. Ruffenreddy.

2. Love is the Sweetest Thing.

3. One Man Woman.

4. Isn't it Romantic?

5. Tom Thumb's Drum.

6. You'll Fall in Love.

7. I Hear.

8. Please Handle with Care.

9. One Little Kiss From You.

10. Always in My Heart.

11. The Sea Song.

12. I'll do my Best to Make You Happy.

13. Brighter Than the Sun.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.

## SOVIET FILM OF REBEL WARSHIP

### Prague.

A Soviet film is now being made to show the adventure of the "Seven Provinces," the Dutch warship whose mutinous crew only surrendered after several days' chase, according to Communist newspapers here.

The papers say that the film will deal with the "social standpoint of the sailors."—Reuter.

## ROUND HONG KONG'S CINEMA THEATRES

### MAIL REVIEW "WEDDING REHEARSAL"—KING'S THEATRE.

Excellent staging is a feature of the London Film Company's production "Wedding Rehearsal" which is now showing at the King's Theatre. The elegance of the scenes is almost unrivalled, the brilliance of the settings being maintained throughout. It is evident that much has been expended in the production of the picture to make it the highly polished, luxurious film it is.

The cast, too, is distinguished. Roland Young is excellent as the Marquis of Buckminster, a bachelor who attends weddings mostly in the role of best man, and his easy nonchalance and sly, engaging humour are well in keeping with the sophisticated atmosphere of the picture. But almost the same can be said for the others. What role would be more fitting to George Grossmith than that of the easily-irritated Lord Stokesbury, father of the beautiful Roxbury twins, two of the most flippant young girls in society?

Among the others is John Loder, one of the young men who marry the twins (Wendy Barrie and Joan Gardner), who are a real "find." The director, Alexander Korda, has gone so far in his successful attempt to lend the brightest colour to the film that he has even included a sequence of Changing the Guard. The result is one of the technically finest films seen for some time.

The theme is primarily comedy, but there is more than a touch of

sweet romance which, enhanced by outstanding photography and camera technique, gives the production splendour.

### MAIL REVIEW "FLESH"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Wallace Berry, famous featured player of record breaking films, gives another of his flawless personations in "Flesh" which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Berry, who portrays a wrestler out for world honours, looks and acts the part to something almost approaching perfection. The story is the usual one, wound round the gold digger who deserts the sinking ship for a better prize.

Karen Morley is excellent in the part of "Laura," while Ricardo Cortez is charming as "Nicky" her new lover.

### MAIL REVIEW "PANAMA FLO"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

Although due credit is given to Miss Helen Twelvetrees' artistry in her interpretation of the various moods she must, "Panama Flo," now showing at the Central Theatre, is completely dominated by Charles Bickford, as the wild cat oil prospector.

Directorial genius has brought this picture from the ordinary to first class standard and coupled with excellent camera work—light filters and odd "shots"—sudden twists in plot developments, presents entertainment which should appeal to a variety of tastes.

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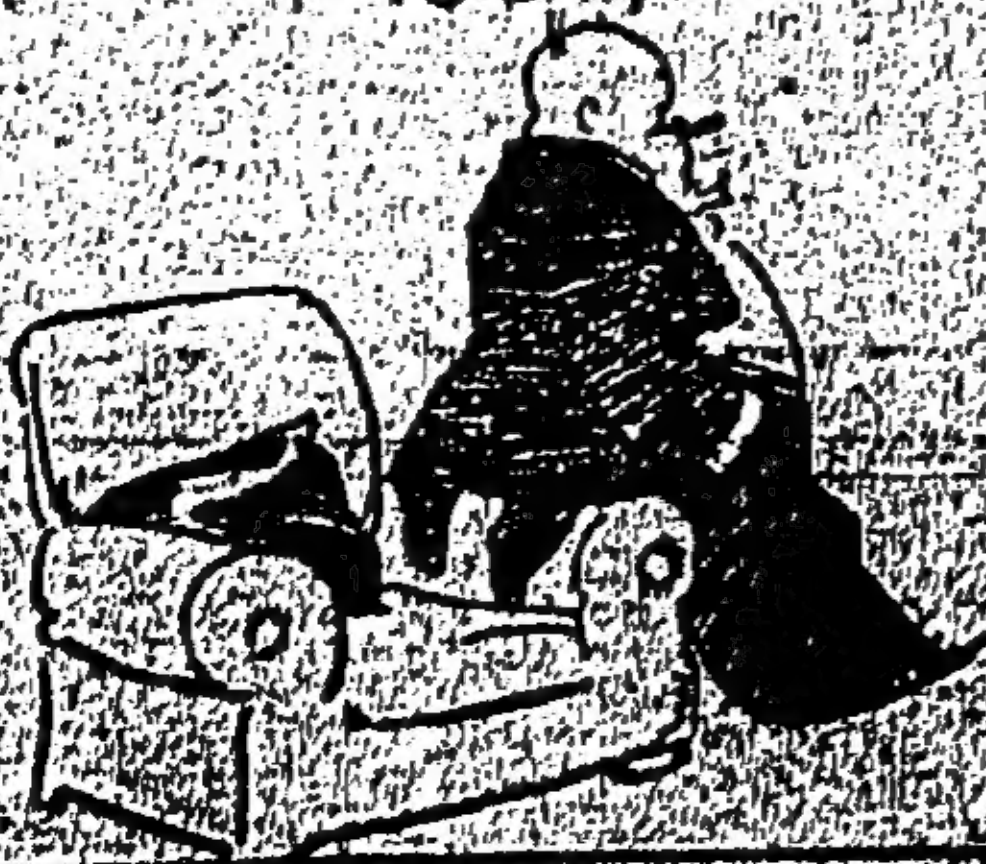
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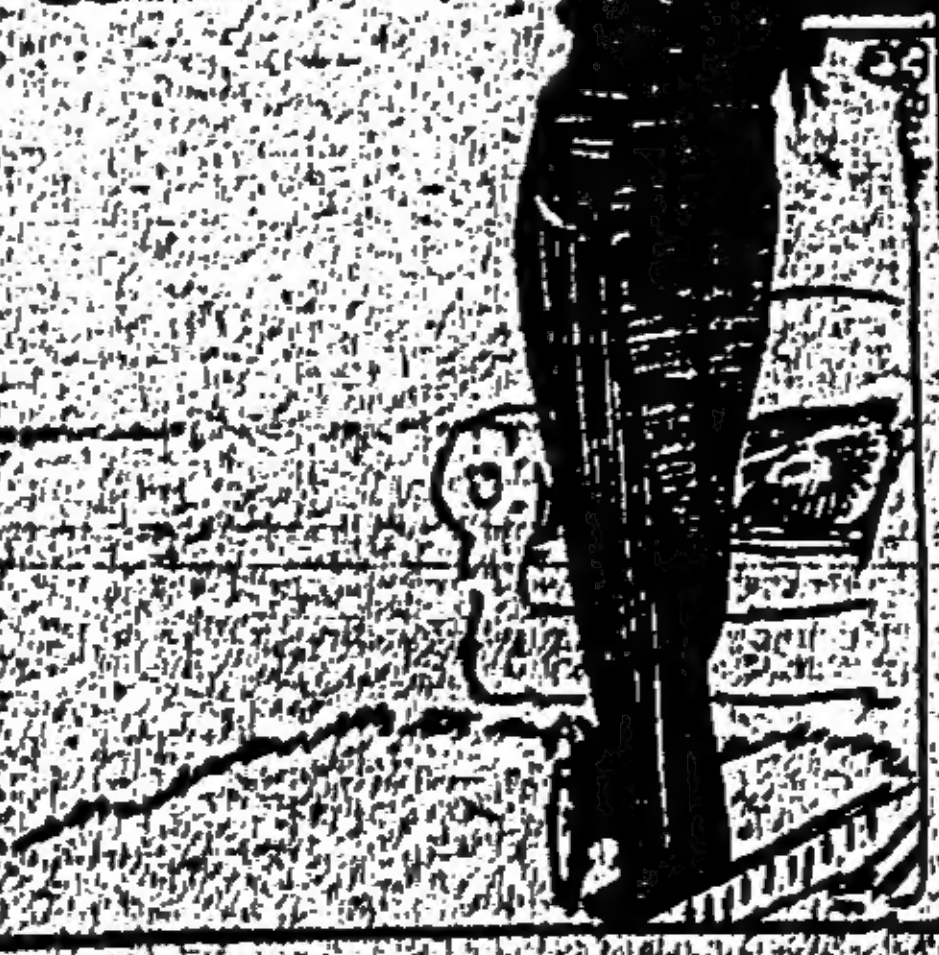
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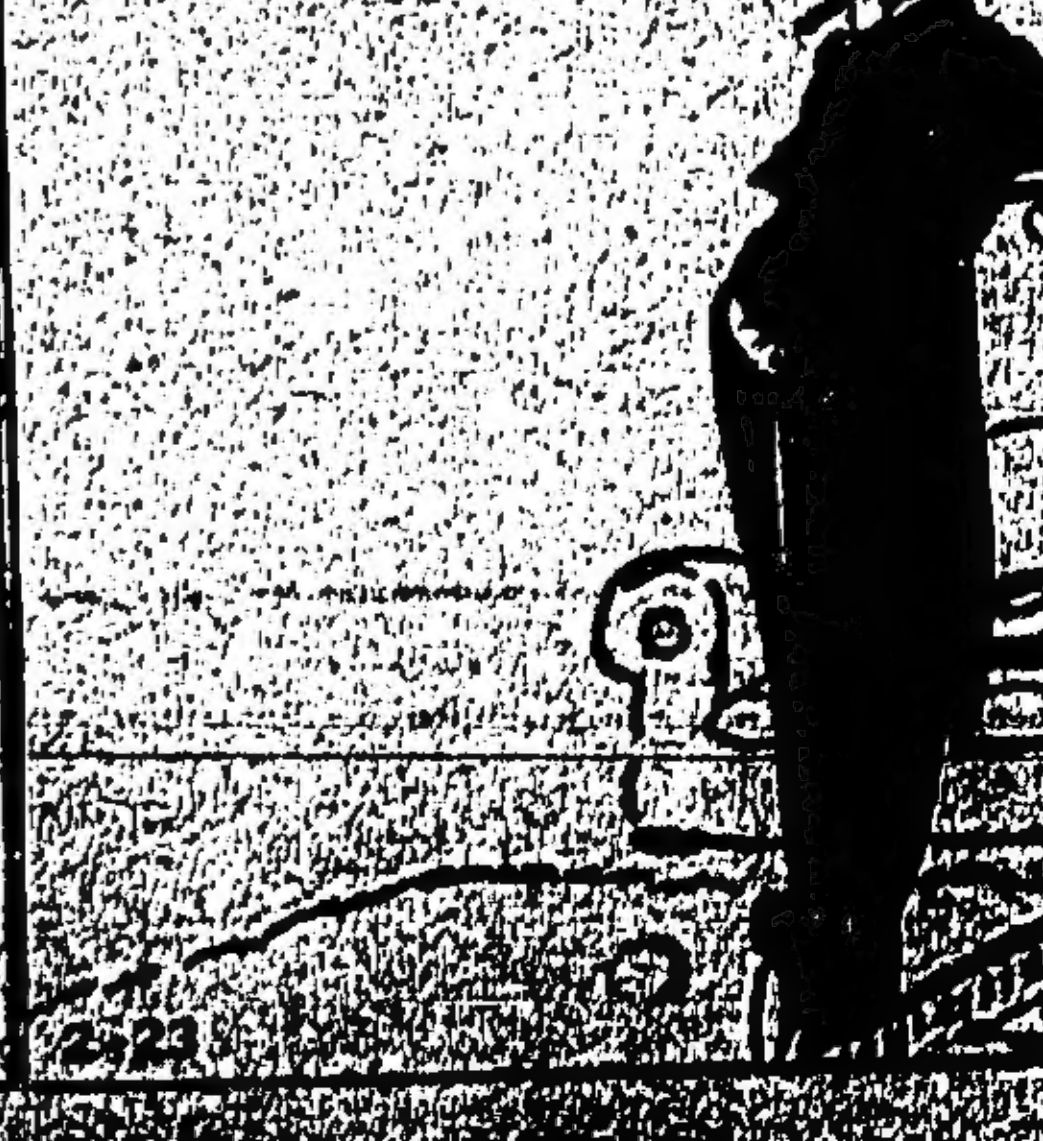
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# Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.

(Continued from page 4.)

## Calcutta-Japan Line Loss.

"From Northern to Southern ports a good demand was maintained throughout the year, apart from the usual seasonal fluctuations, and return trips were above the average but our Calcutta-Japan line felt the draught of the depression from India as well as the effects of the anti-Japanese boycott, while revenue from deck passengers declined owing to the continued restrictions placed on that traffic by the Straits Government.

"On the Yangtze River, where a large portion of the Company's Fleet is employed, conditions were not conducive to good trading. The year opened with political trouble and Native Banks restricted credit which weakened confidence and business.

"As if this was not enough commerce received a further blow in the shape of the regrettable hostilities which broke out at Shanghai between Japan and China and for the best part of a month absolute chaos reigned.

## Tribute To Floating Staff.

"You can well imagine that some time elapsed before events resumed their normal course but I am glad to say that through these disturbances the Company's property suffered no harm and our grateful thanks are due to the Floating Staff for carrying on loyally under very trying circumstances.

"Later in the year rate cutting was indulged in extensively by people who ought to have realized the senselessness of this policy.

"Rates were depressed along the whole River but particularly on the higher reaches and with cargo scarce the unequal spectacle was seen of steamers waiting for days at Ichang for even half cargoes.

"In that region the civil commotions of recent years have left their mark and we, in common with our other British friends, are still being debilitated from loading cargo at Wanhsien.

"It was also in keeping with the times we live in that serious difficulties were engineered against our chartering a small vessel on the Upper River for the carriage of Oil in bulk which is forming an ever growing business on that large waterway.

"That nightmare of the Yangtze, the indiscriminate firing on ships from the River Banks, was not so much in evidence as formerly though one of our vessels was subjected to a heavy fusillade while going to the aid of a distressed steamer and was only able to carry out her mission through the opportune presence of the U. S. S. "Oahu" to whom our thanks are due.

## Free From Piracy.

"We were also free from the scourge of Piracy which, if dormant at times, is ever ready to break out in most unexpected quarters and I am sure you will all sympathize with the China Navigation Co., and Chinese Maritime Customs in their recent experiences as well as with the relatives of those Officers and Engineers who were killed or kidnapped to say nothing of the latter themselves.

"The suppression of Piracy is admittedly a difficult matter but none of the Governments concerned can afford to relax their vigilance for a moment.

"In this connection H. M. Navy's help is invaluable and I desire to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks for their great assistance on numerous occasions, not only in this neighbourhood but on every Line and in every port at

which the Company's vessels call. "In past speeches from this Chair I have referred to the tendency of Port Authorities to increase their charges without taking into consideration the parlous state of Shipping and on the last occasion, of addressing you the hope was expressed that the local Government would reconsider the question of Light Dues which were increased in 1931.

"It is therefore a pleasure to announce that representations from the Chamber of Commerce were sympathetically received and a reduction obtained.

"Small though the relief is it is a step in the right direction of closer co-operation between Government and Shipowners which is essential for the well-being of the Colony as a whole.

"Further evidence of this spirit is shown in the recent introduction of the Importation & Exportation Ordinance, 1932, which has enabled the local Authorities to proceed effectively against the Owners of Unmanifested cargo, another word for smuggling.

"Owing to the high tariff wall in China the temptation to smuggle cargo is irresistible to Native Crews and Shipowners are constantly falling foul of the Customs who do not hesitate to inflict heavy penalties on the unfortunate vessel on which the goods are discovered whereas, if they could only deal severely with the culprits direct it would have far reaching results.

"In order to protect the Company's interests we have been obliged to form our own Prevention Service, and under the Ordinance just mentioned we have obtained several convictions apart from righting other irregularities.

"I have already stated that the value of Silver has an important bearing on our final working results. The serious decline which affected our 1930 and 1931 Accounts so adversely was arrested and the dollar remained fairly steady around 1/3d.

"As the Report shows, the balances of Steamers' Working Accounts were converted at an average exchange for the year of 1/3 1/4d. compared with 1/0 1/4d. in 1931 which made an appreciable difference in our favour. The fortunes of this Company are therefore linked up with Silver, and it would be a very wise man who could forecast this future.

## Future Prospects.

"As I am expected to make some reference at these Meetings to future prospects of the Company I can only say that this is out of the question for the reason given as well as owing to the uncertainty of international trade and recent political events in China, but it cannot be disputed that there is a great future for this Country if only Merchants are allowed to trade in peace.

"Meanwhile you may rest assured your Directors will continue to study closely the economical running of the Fleet and although much has already been done in this direction the possibilities can never be exhausted.

"As in 1931, the Directors agreed to forego their Fees last year amounting to £1,500 per annum and I would repeat that these sums are not held in suspense.

"The Board of Directors are pleased to report that no major casualty occurred in the Fleet in 1932 and they feel sure you will associate yourselves with them in re-

cording their appreciation of the services rendered by all connected with the Staff, ashore or afloat.

"Once again they have shown their loyalty in co-operating with the General Managers in economy matters and if some do not always see eye to eye with us in these measures I feel the majority do appreciate that the steps taken are for their ultimate benefit.

## Home Leave.

"One of these was retrenchment in Home Leave. We could no longer afford Leave every five years with six months' full pay and free return passages for all the Floating Staff as well as their families and it was decided most reluctantly to reduce the number relieved each year.

"This concession, introduced voluntarily by the Company, has not been cancelled as has been wrongly inferred in certain quarters and that extreme measure would only be adopted if our financial position became worse, since it is realized that men serving in the East are the better for a period of relaxation if satisfied with the Company's service and intending to continue in it.

"The 'Cheongshing', a vessel 27 years old, was sold having become uneconomical. Although badly wanted to maintain our pivotal trades no new tonnage has been acquired and the three steamers I referred to last year are still under charter to us.

## Working Profit.

"Turning to the Statement of Accounts it will be observed that there is a profit on the working of the steamers of £97,208. 2. 4d. compared with a profit of £27,332. 12. 1d. for the previous year.

"After providing for Depreciation £91,891. 0. 1d. and Liabilities etc. there remains a debit of £11,745. 4. 6d.

"To meet this loss it is proposed to transfer £13,145. 3. 7d. from Building Account and to carry forward £1,399. 19. 1. to the year 1933.

"In these circumstances I regret it is not possible to pay any Dividend. It will also be seen that Revenue Account has been credited with unclaimed Dividends amounting to £1,682. 8. 0d. which have appeared in the Balance Sheet for some years and under Articles of Association these are being utilized for the benefit of the Company.

"Referring to the Balance Sheet it will be noted that Exchange Fluctuation Reserve has been increased by £2,223. 10. 7d. due to Floating Dollar Assets and Liabilities being converted at 1/3d., the rate of exchange ruling on December, 1932, as against 1/5 1/4d. at the end of 1931.

"General Reserve remains at the same figure as in last year's Balance Sheet namely £135,000. Building Reserve has been increased by £4,145. 3. 7d. being gain on units sold and after transferring £13,145. 3. 7d. to Revenue this Account will stand at £117,000.

"Sundry Creditors in China and London has declined by £36,134. 16. 4d. and the whole amount of £80,226. 14. 8d. standing in this Account has been paid since the close of the year.

"Steamships, Hulks etc., show a small decrease of £1,876. 17. 5d. consequent upon the sale of the 'Cheongshing' and Depreciation has been written off on the usual basis and amounts to £91,891. 0. 1d. Sundry Debtors in China and London, Agency Balances, Coals and Stores are all reduced and the amounts owing to the Company have all been received.

"This includes £18,958. 11. 1d. due by the General Managers as compared with £123,689. 2. 8d. due to them on December 31, 1931."

The chairman then proposed the adoption of the accounts. This was seconded by Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, and carried unanimously.

The confirmation of Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, and Mr. S. T. Williamson, as directors was proposed by Mr. A. Murdoch and seconded by Mr. W. B. Cornaby.

The re-election of Mr. S. T. Williamson as a director was proposed by Mr. Ho Leung and seconded by Mr. G. Pancheson.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. F. C. Hall, seconded by Mr. L. G. Allison.

The following directors were present: Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. F. Gordon Mackie and Mr. S. T. Williamson.

Among the shareholders present were: Messrs. W. B. Cornaby, L. G. Allison, A. M. de Silva, Ho Leung, W. D. Fiddes Wilson, Yang Hing, F. C. Hall, W. B. Cornaby, W. B. Cornaby, Ho Leung, J. Fleming, M. Hallion, T. T. Lumsden, M. H. Turner and A. Murdoch.

## Art and Drama

### JAPANESE WATER COLOURS.

#### Fine Display At Komor And Komor's.

Messrs. Komor & Komor are opening their Spring Exhibition of Japanese Water Colours with a wonderful display of famous Artists, among them, Terauchi, Yoshida, Kobayashi, Bannan, and others whose signatures are to be found appended to the best product of their kind in Japan.

The Exhibition opens with more than two hundred examples of most beautiful work and generally in less than 24 hours almost half of the paintings are sold. Lovers of art would do well to take advantage of this opportunity to view this splendid array while there is a chance. The Exhibition is open for ten days only at Komor's Art Rooms.

The variety of subjects is entrancing. There is one in particular No. 2 by Terauchi, "Mumau Sea." It is a fascinating piece of water painting that has rarely been excelled. Another of his paintings is "Snow of Ueno" No. 70, which is also most realistic. For Bamboo views, the most remarkable is undoubtedly Bannan's painting No. 28. Looking at the picture, for a few moments, one gets the impression of being in the midst of a bamboo forest. Yoshida and Takeda as also Kobayashi have some remarkable land and sea scenes.

Among the less expensive pictures, many of which range from \$2.00 upwards, by the same artists are some of those vividly painted scenes which delight those who like the more glaring colours of the Far East. These pictures offer an opportunity for the more economical to decorate their homes with real, genuine, rich colour drawings by the best Japanese Artists. Some of the pictures sold may remain to the end of the short season, but it is expected that the best will be taken by their purchasers so that those desiring to view the Exhibition should do so without delay. Messrs. Komor & Komor are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### CHAUCER'S GIFT TO A FRIEND.

#### Chapel Repairs Reveal Historic Picture.

BOUGHT IN FLORENCE.

London.

The Savoy Chapel panel of the Madonna and Child, ascribed to one of Giotto's pupils, which is now on exhibition at the National Gallery, was only brought to light when structural repairs to the chapel were begun a few months ago.

For many years a small picture had been hanging in a dark corner over the font. As a precaution it was removed for safe keeping by the chapel organist to the office of the Duchy of Lancaster, where its beauty and obvious antiquity aroused the interest of the authorities.

The history of the little triptych is uncertain, but it is suggested that it was bought in Florence or Genoa about 1370 by Geoffrey Chaucer as a gift for his friend and patron, John of Gaunt.

After being disposed of by a corrupt Chaplain in 1731, it found its way back to the chapel in 1874. Ever since it had hung precariously on the wall, grimy with dirt and scarcely noticed by visitors.—Reuter.

### WAGNER'S FEAR OF SHROFFS.

#### Composer's Wretched Financial Position.

Vienna.

A fear by Wagner that he might be arrested, while he was busy on an opera, for failing to meet bills that he had signed, is contained in a "hitherto unpublished letter" which is the property of a Viennese artist. The artist is Baroness Lenore Bach, an oratorio singer, and her father, Dr. (later Baron) Otto Bach, was a composer and arranger of concertos for famous artists.

In the letter, which was written from Zurich in 1884, Wagner complains of his "wretched financial position" and asks Dr. Bach to "try means to get together 4,800 gulden (2400) to release him from danger of arrest and prevent him the necessary quiet for his work."—Reuter.

## Valuable Find In Sodom

### Two Mural Paintings Of 200 B.C.

#### DONE BY ANCIENT "MASTER"

Evidence of a high cultural status reached by the people of Sodom and Gomorrah some time before their destruction is seen in paintings, probably among the oldest in the world, which have been taken from the walls in what are believed to be the ruins of the twin wicked cities, says the Associated Press.

Father Alexis Mallon, one of the two Jesuit archaeologists in charge of the work for the Pontifical Biblical Institute, says the paintings date back to 200 B. C. Excepting Egyptian examples, he believes they are the oldest paintings known to man. They indicate, he affirms, that Sodom and Gomorrah enjoyed "a certain power, wealth, an era of peace and a great prosperity."

The paintings, which are to be preserved in a Jerusalem museum, are two in number. One shows a bird in flight, the other the lower part of a procession.

They were removed from the walls by an ingenious process not unlike the principle of the school-children's transfer pictures. Many fragmentary pictures still remain on the walls.

"The paintings," says Father Mallon, "reveal a new aspect of this old civilization, fragmentary as they are. Their very number, including many restorations, suffices to establish that this type of ornamentation was common in this city."

Everything discloses a master's hand for so ancient an epoch."

The paintings reveal a higher state of development than do the industries and the ceramic art of the cities, and even the art of writing.

"It is a fact in Palestine, as elsewhere, that painting was the first material expression of the idea," Father Mallon explains.

Comparing the Sodom and Gomorrah paintings with those of other ancient countries, Father Mallon reports: "Chaldea, so rich in other discoveries, has not yet produced mural paintings of the third millennium B.C. On the other hand, Egypt possesses several masterpieces of this epoch; for example, the 'Ducks of Medoum.' In pre-Hellenic Greece, the most ancient fresco known dates from the middle Minoan period, 1500 to 1750 B.C. The paintings of the Teleilat Ghassul excavations date back to 200 B.C."

### UNKNOWN HOBBEEMA FOUND.

#### Discovery In Vienna.

Berlin.

A picture bought in Vienna by Dr. Benedict, of the Van Diemen-Benedict Gallery here, which was supposed to be a work of the nineteenth century, has been found to be a hitherto unknown landscape by Hobbema.

The painting, which shows a wooded road leading to a village, is assigned to the period around 1660. It is especially interesting for the fact that most of Hobbema's pictures of that period are much smaller in size.—Reuter.

### COVENT GARDEN SEASON.

Among the Italian and French operas to be given at the next international season at Covent Garden are "Don Carlos," "Otello," and "The Damnation de Faust." Rossini's little known "L'italiana in Algeri" may also be played.

### CONCERT PARTY AT Y.M.C.A.

#### "Cochran's Throwouts" Big Success.

"Cochran's Throwouts," a concert party, under the able leadership of Miss Audrey Steel, played to a large audience in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A., at Kowloon, on Monday night. The concert was one of the most successful that has taken place in the Colony, during the past season.

The principal performers were the Misses Eve O'Hagan, Betty Laing, Margaret King, Rosemary King, Joan Churchill and Audrey Steel, capably assisted by Mr. G. W. True and his celebrated Cheero Band.

The programme was as follows: Opening Chorus—Sing Brothers. Song—The flies crawled up the window... Cochran's Throwouts. Dance—

Eve O'Hagan and Audrey Steel. Song—Selected... Margaret King. Song—Living in Clover. Audrey Steel and The Girls. Piano Selections... Ronnie True. Dance... Cochran's Throwouts.

## INTERVAL.

Selections by Ronnie True and the Cheero Band.

Dance—The Peanut Vendor.

Rosemary King and The Girls.

Song—Selected... Margaret King.

Dance—Navy Blues.

Betty Laing and Eve O'Hagan.

Song at the Piano—And her mother came too... Ronnie True.

Song and Dance—Crazy People.

Joan Churchill, Betty Laing and The Girls.

Song—Hold My Hand.

Dance... Cochran's Throwouts.

Closing Chorus—Sing Brothers.

Cochran's Throwouts.

## IT MAY BE TRUE.

It is said in New York that George Kaufman, who is probably America's greatest producer, has only to call at a theatre at which a new play is to be presented for the rumour to go round, that he is directing the rehearsals.

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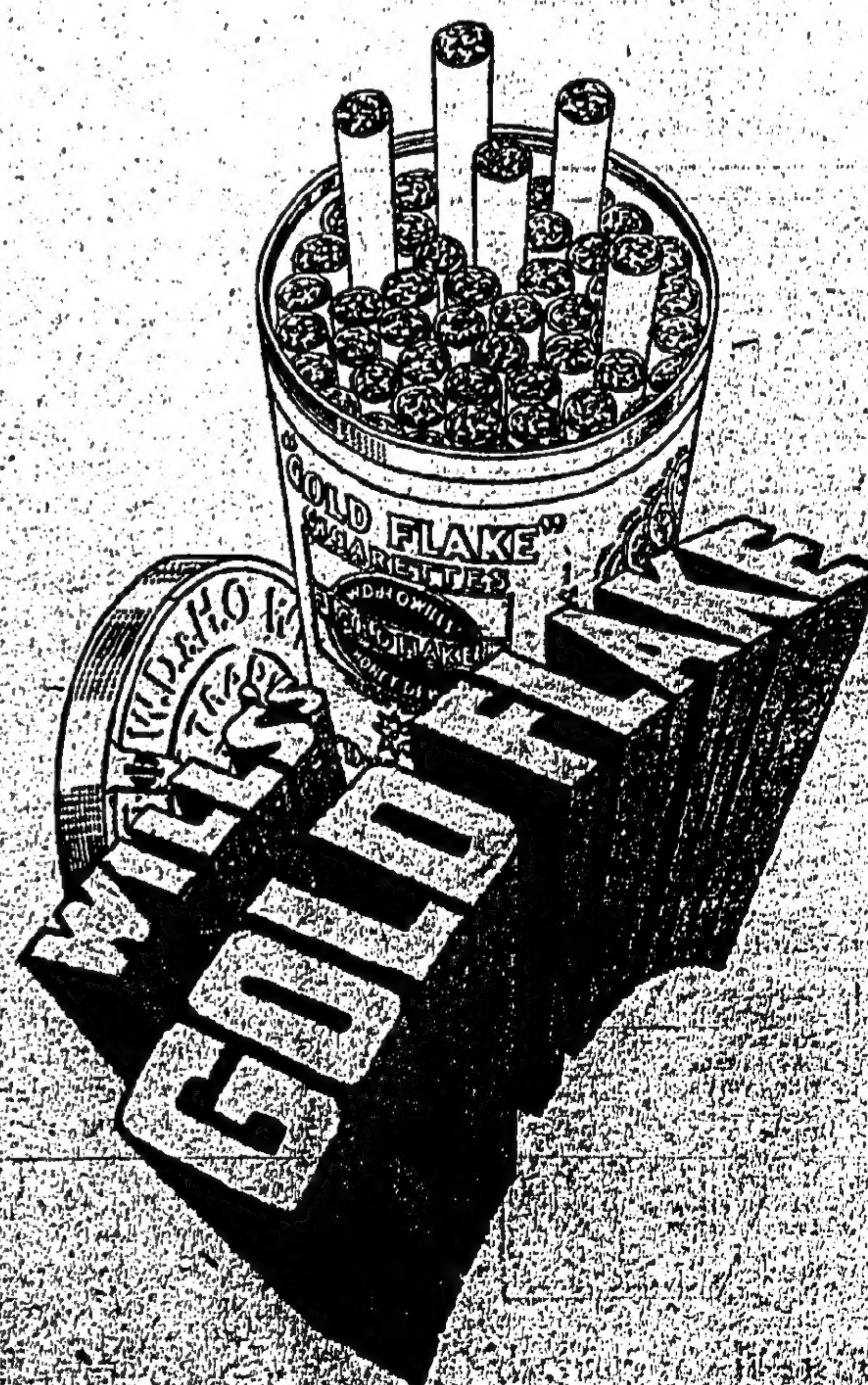
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## The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, April 26, 1933.

### Inflation.

The abandonment of the gold standard by the United States has encouraged American advocates of inflation to advance a variety of schemes, and there is grave danger of America being plunged into a drastic inflation policy which may have been followed by unfortunate consequences. Nobody favours an unlimited issue of fiat money. Not even Senator Borah would have the depreciation of the currency go beyond a certain point. The calamitous experience of Germany in printing marks until a billion or two of them were worth only a shilling stands as a continuing reminder and warning before the eyes of extreme inflationists. But they keep on talking about the need of a large expansion of the circulating medium, though always strictly under "control" of some unspecified kind. The only assurance they give is that somehow or other the country shall "pull up" in time to prevent such complete devaluation of money as drove Germany almost to ruin and despair ten years ago. The trouble with this theory is that when you once begin to go down the steep decline of a depreciated currency there is no stopping until you make the final crash. This old and irresistible tendency is now obviously beginning to show itself in England. When the pound went off the gold standard, hopes prevailed over fears in the British mind. It was believed that the drop of 30 per cent. in the value of the pound would lead to an instant and marked advance in prices. Confidence was also felt that cheaper money in England would give her a great advantage in the export trade. But the event has falsified the prophecies. In a recent address at Oxford by Sir Robert Horne, former Chancellor of the Exchequer, he lamented the fact that the efforts to "raise prices" by abandoning the gold standard had signally failed. He added that cheap money is not being sought for the development of business. In a review of the ups and downs of sterling and prices during the seventeen months since Great Britain went off the gold standard, "The London Morning Post" said the other day that "the official wholesale and retail price indices, despite considerable fluctuation in individual commodities, have on balance displayed relatively insignificant variations." Now, what inference from all this is drawn by restless and impatient inflationists? Why, simply that the depreciation of the pound has not gone far enough. Since the small dose of inflation has not had the hoped-for results, a larger one must be tried. In England, too, they are calling the process, as Senator Borah does, "reflation." This was the theme and the leading outcry in the recent discussion of financial policy by the Federation of University Conservative and Unionist Associations. One delegate from Oxford moved that the conference "deplores the continued deflationary tendency in British monetary policy, and calls for a more actively reflationary scheme having for its object the stabilization of sterling, not on gold, but upon the basis of an index scale of commodity prices. Even another former Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. McKenna, now chairman of the Midland Bank, went so far as to declare that "the true standard of stability is what the currency will buy, not of gold, but of all commodities which enter into daily use." He also complained that there has been "no marked sustained rise in commodity prices," which he attributed to the fact that "the expansive monetary policy of Great Britain has been, in fact, no more than half a policy." There you have it. If a little inflation does not work as expected, more will be ordered, and then still more. This has been the history of depreciated or inflated currency from the time when men first had any kind of medium of exchange of goods down to the present hour. The only security is to cling with determination to a currency that is sound and secured. When public men begin to talk tolerantly about making the experiment of "regulated inflation," they ought to know that they are proposing a facile descent to the very bottom of "Avernum." Back to "Contra" a runaway locomotive with no engineer aboard, but do not fancy that a half-yearly planned inflation can be controlled before it brings about universal disaster.

## HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

New French Ambassador.  
M. Corbin, the newly-appointed French Ambassador of the Court of St. James, was the hero of a dramatic episode during the Spanish Revolution, which overthrew King Alfonso. He represented France in Madrid at that time.

At one moment it looked as if the frenzy of the revolutionary mob might endanger the safety of the Queen and the other ladies in the Royal Palace.

The intervention of the British Embassy had been hoped for, but it was not forthcoming, owing perhaps to the reluctance of the then Socialist Government in London to embroil themselves with their Spanish comrades.

### A Chivalrous Action.

The Envoy of the French Republic was then appealed to, and at once responded by requesting the revolutionary leaders to ensure all the necessary protection against mob violence to the Royal and other ladies, both in the Palace and later on the road to exile.

Subsequently the Government of the new Spanish Republic protested to Paris against M. Corbin's alleged interference in the domestic affairs of Spain.

The Quai d'Orsay thereupon felt constrained to transfer him from Madrid to Brussels, but not without privately congratulating him on having behaved in accordance with the chivalrous traditions of French diplomacy.

### Habsburgs On The Stage.

In the days of old Vienna one of the most strictly-enforced stage rules was the regulation forbidding any reference to a member of the ruling house of Habsburg.

The ban applied to the dead as well as to the living, and before the war the dramatist Bozdech had a play turned down by the censor because in one scene Maria Theresa was made to appear.

To-day all this is changed, and Vienna, in a new craze for everything aristocratic, has now no fewer than four different plays featuring Franz Josef.

### Your Daily Smile.

#### BRIGHTER BRITAIN.

Two-colour suits are becoming fashionable. Which just goes to prove that in the spring a young man's fancy.

Money?—Hah! Wonder why it is that saving face and saving conferences are so important while just plain saving never seems to be thought of.

#### OLD STUFF.

AUTHOR: I left a package of jokes here for your approval. Do you happen to have read them?  
EDITOR: Yes, many times.

#### ECONOMY.

An Aberdeen man is an expert ventriloquist. When he offers refreshment to his guests they are often astonished on hearing themselves emphatically saying "When" long before they meant to.

Waste of Time.  
"The art of telling a story," declares an author, "is to know what to leave unaided." But most wives find out anyway.

Machine Gun Tactics.  
A London flat has been burgled three times in a month. This is known as a repeating rifle.

### Facts You Did Not Know.

The Venezuelan government will establish a school to educate young men who are citizens of the country for responsible positions as oil well drillers.

A completely automatic Diesel electric plant has been running without attendants for more than a year supplying electric power and light to a New York hotel.

A searchlight projector that makes words appear in letters of light on clouds has been mounted on a boat that cruises along the Baltic coast of Germany to advertise summer resorts.

Resembling a vanity case, a container holding two disks of an alarm system has been invented to change safety glass blades at a crack in time.

## GERMANY'S 1,200,000 TRAINED SOLDIERS

### "COUNTRY EQUIPPED FOR WAR"

## FRENCH ESPIONAGE REVELATIONS

London, March 25. 115,000 armed with revolvers and rifles, and trained in the use of machine guns and hand grenades.

There has been much talk at Geneva. Mr. MacDonald has talked separately with Mr. Arthur Henderson, chairman of the Disarmament Conference, with Herr Noddy the German delegate, and with Baron Alois, the Italian. M. Paul Boncour, French Foreign Minister, talked with Mr. Henderson, with Dr. Benes, of Czechoslovakia, and Colonel Beck, Polish Foreign Minister. And still Hitler's Nazis go on tightening their grip on Germany.

France, terrified by the fierce new wave of nationalism now sweeping Germany, is making desperate efforts to lure Britain into a new entente—and apparently thought, after the talks between the British and French Premiers, that she had succeeded. But an inspired announcement indicating this result was promptly denied by the British spokesmen.

What is the armed strength of Germany to-day? This is the question which all Europe is asking. An indication of the answer is given in the following report from the Paris correspondent of the "Sunday Express" based, he carefully indicates, on "reports gathered by the French secret service from its spies in Germany."

In these reports the spies naturally find very much what their chiefs in the Service wish them to find.

"I am able to disclose for the first time the figures—as France has tabulated them—of the great land, sea, and air armaments which, by camouflaging its treaty obligations, Germany has been able to gather," he writes.

These figures are based on a mass of material secured by French spies after years of dangerous research, at a cost to France of many thousands of pounds.

"My information is taken from the secret dossier on Germany's armaments, which M. Herriot, then French Premier, threatened to make known at a dramatic meeting of the League of Nations, a few months ago.

"First of all the Reichswehr army No. 1.

"The Reichswehr is the official fighting force which, by the Treaty of Versailles, must not surpass 100,000 men (including 4,000 officers).

"The present organisation of the Reichswehr is designed as a nucleus around which hundreds of thousands of fully trained recruits will cluster when the call comes.

Secret Training.  
"Each regiment in the event of mobilisation will automatically become a division.

"Under the Treaty of Versailles service is for a period of twelve years, but the men are put to reserve after six years' instruction.

"This instruction is intensive. Each private at the completion of his six years' service is qualified to act as a non-commissioned officer in command of a large body of men.

"In the same way N.C.O.s, of which there are 61,000—more than half the regular army—are trained so that they could become efficient officers in time of war.

"The organisation of the German cavalry is combined with the secret training of cavalry officers as air-men. Each cavalry regiment has eight 'air units,' whose officers are trained as pilots.

"The Reichswehr's munition reserves include 240,000 rifles, 12,000 machine guns—of a new pattern—and 1,800 field guns.

"The British pattern has been adopted for the new German tanks, and there are chemical gas factories at Bochum-Gerthe, Stolzenberg in Germany, as well as a secret poison gas depot at Trossen, in Russia, alleged under the name of a chemical works.

"Now for Army No. 2—the police—the real reserve force of the Reichswehr of to-day.

"In 1932 the German police force numbered 80,000 men, armed only with revolvers and equipped with the official State police uniforms.

There are also 95,000 police living in barracks under the command of Reichswehr officers, and taking part secretly in military manoeuvres.

"Hitler's Brownshirt army of 450,000, mostly youths of excellent physique, but not so well trained as the regular police, are now being added to the regular police forces.

"Army No. 3—the Stahlhelm organisation secretly financed by the German Government, and strictly trained on military principles under the command of Captain Selvide, one of Hitler's Ministers—forms the main reserve for the Reichswehr.

"There are 1,600 shooting societies in the Stahlhelm, possessing 800,000 rifles of a slightly different pattern from the Reichswehr model, but easily convertible in time of war.

"Similar organisations form a total with the Stahlhelm of 3,600,000 men, of which 1,200,000 can immediately take the field equipped with steel helmets, rifles, bayonets, revolvers, ammunition, and entrenching tools.

"In the meantime the industrial armaments apparatus stands ready, awaiting the word 'go!' Many German factories have secret munition workshops attached, locked and closed for the moment, but with well-cared-for and well-oiled machinery.

"Commercial aircraft in Germany is regulated by the State, so that each machine may be convertible for use for the army in time of war."

### News In Brief

The feast of Blessed Don Bosco will be celebrated at the St. Louis Industrial School (Salesian Institute), on April 30, when a High Mass will be said at 10 a.m. The Rev. D. J. Finn, S.J., will preach the occasional sermon. Friends of the Institute are invited to be present.

The latest edition of the Far Eastern Traveller's Gazette, issued by Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, Ltd., has been forwarded to this office. It contains complete information about all world routes to and from the East, and is invaluable for the man anxious to ascertain the shortest route to any particular country.

The Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Wood, in the Supreme Court, yesterday, granted an order to wind up the Tung Hing Company, Limited, of 93, Connaught Road, after hearing a petition presented to the Court by Leong Hin-tang, of 49, Tai Nam Street, Shamshuipo, represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara (instructed by Mr. Nigel, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master).

The Calendar of the University of Hong Kong for 1933, has just been issued. It is a comprehensive volume of nearly 200 pages, setting out the complete syllabus, the almanac for 1933, tables of tuition and examination fees, members of faculties, details of scholarships and useful information about the Ordinance governing the University. The price is \$1.

Business of a purely formal nature was transacted at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, which met yesterday afternoon. Mr. T. Magarry, the President, was in the chair and was supported by the Hon. Mr. B. M. Henderson, Vice-President; Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. Li Shu-lan, Mr. C. J. Ros, secretary, and Mr. Ng Muk-hai, assistant secretary.

### DEATH

OBITUARY.—At Kowloon Hospital on April 25 Doctor Martin Obrowski, late Chief Chemist of the Tientsin Sugar Refining Co., died of pneumonia at the age of 50.



**OPIUM SMUGGLED ON SHIP.**

Chinese Fined \$50.

A fine of \$50 was imposed by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, on Chung Kai, who admitted possession to 40 taels of opium on the s.s. Sai On.

R. O. Ward who prosecuted, said he boarded the vessel yesterday evening on information received, but was unable to open the safe in which the opium was concealed.

The Monopolies Department seized the safe and took it to their office where it was opened, and found to contain a large sum of money and the illicit opium.

R. O. Ward said the accused was on bail of \$50, which was probably furnished by the rightful owners of the opium.

**ORGAN RECITAL AT CATHEDRAL.**

Mr. Frederick Mason &amp; Mrs. N. Mathieson.

An organ recital will be given by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L., assisted by Mrs. N. Mathieson (Contralto), on Friday, April 28, at 5.30 p.m., at St. John's Cathedral.

The programme will be as follows:

Marche Solennelle... Tchaikovsky.

Chorale Preludes—

(a) A rose breaks into bloom

(b) O world, I can't leave thee

Contralto Aria—

Pardon us, gracious Lord... Beech.

Allegro Maestoso, from Sonata No. 5

Rheimsberger.

Andantino in G minor

Cesar Franck.

HYMN 218.

Collection For The Organ Fund.

Contralto Aria—

What tho' I trace each herb

and flower... Handel.

Minuet, from Berenice... Handel.

Largo in G... Handel.

**C.I. PATERSON'S RETIREMENT.**

Presentation At Police Training School.

Chief Inspector H. Paterson, retired, who had been in charge of the Police Training School, Yaumati, was the recipient of a presentation by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, I.G.P. at the Training School this morning.

The complement of the Training School paraded in full.

**ANZAC DINNER**

Gallipoli Campaign Described.

FUNCTION AT VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS

A graphic description of soldiering at Gallipoli was given by Lieut. C. de Saille Robertson, M.M., at the Anzac Dinner held at Volunteer Headquarters last night. Among the many guests present were, Col. R. B. Cousins, D.S.O., acting G.O.C. in the absence of Major-General O. C. Borrett, and Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant H.K.V.D.C. Representatives of other sections of the Volunteers were also guests.

Following Lieut. Robertson's speeches, Lieut. J. R. Way toasted "Our Guests," Mr. S. T. Williamson replying.

Guests at the official table were Lieut. C. de Saille Robertson, M.M., O.C., the Anzac Company, H.K.V.D.C., who presided; Col. E. B. Cousins, D.S.O., Assist. Adj. and Qmr.-Gen. in Charge of Administration and acting G.O.C. in the absence of Major-General O. C. Borrett; Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant H.K.V.D.C.; Mr. S. T. Williamson, Capt. W. H. G. Gaster, D.S.O., M.O.; Adj. H.K.V.D.C., Capt. McGowan, Capt. H. Owen Hughes, O. C. Machine Gun Company, Capt. W. A. Trotter, M.C. (Jat Regiment) who served with the 2nd Australian Battalion during the Great War, Capt. S. Jarvis, O. C. Portuguese Company, Lieut. A. H. Potts, H. Westlake, D.C.M., J. H. Bottanley, L.E.F. Nicholson, H. G. Williams, D. Strickland, W. C. Brannon, M.C., N. H. Ellis, Royal Corps of Signals (T) and 2nd Lieut. J. R. Way and A. E. Baines.

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**BESA REMANDED AGAIN**

Proceedings For Extradition.

Joseph Evangelist Besa, who was successful in his appeal against a sentence of six months' imprisonment recently at the Appeal Court, again appeared at the Central Magistracy this morning, when the hearing for his extradition to the Philippines on charges of robbery was resumed.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, the Assistant Attorney-General, quoted various cases against the accused in favour of the extradition, but Besa contended that the Extradition measures between the United States and Great Britain in 1872 did not hold, as the Philippines was not a part of the American Colonies at the time.

Mr. Fraser contended that this did not apply, and said an application had been made by the Philippine authorities through the local American Consul.

Mr. Schofield, remanded the case for a further week to Wednesday next.

**60 DEATHS FROM SMALL-POX.**

Weekly Report Of Health Authorities.

During the week ended on April 22, 22 cases of small-pox were reported to the Health Authorities, and 60 deaths occurred from this disease. Four cases of diphtheria occurred and there were two deaths. Two cases of enteric fever were reported; six of cerebro-spinal fever from which there was one death; and one case of rabies. The number of deaths from tuberculosis during the week was 48.

On Monday four cases of small-pox occurred, two in Victoria and two in Kowloon.

**ROTARY CLUB TIFFIN.**

Wall Street Described

Rotarian G. W. Greene, of Asia Lands, Ltd., gave an interesting discourse on "Streets 'Main' and Wall," to the Hong Kong Rotary Club, yesterday, at the Gloucester Building, during which he dealt with the history and functions of Wall Street, New York. At the conclusion of his speech he was thanked by Rotarian Wong Kwong-tin.

The following guests were welcomed: Messrs. Li Yik-mui, Lai Tse-ping, R. T. Young, S. B. Tan and Egmont, of New York.

A 15-year-old Chinese girl was yesterday knocked down at Smithfield, West Point, by a motor lorry. She was sent to the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition, having sustained severe injuries to her right leg.

**BANISHEE STEALS FOUNTAIN PEN.**

Hard Labour Sentence.

THEFT CHARGE WITHDRAWN

Leung Yau, 20, who appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of larceny of a fountain pen from S. Okin, a Japanese traveller off the m.s. Yasukuni Maru, again made an appearance at the Magistracy this morning, when Inspector Vincent preferred a further charge of unlawfully returning from banishment.

Inspector Vincent said the accused was banished from the Colony for 10 years on November 28, 1929, and was arrested at 8.30 p.m. on Monday evening.

He was arrested by a Chinese police constable who saw him steal a fountain pen from the complainant, who is now on his way to Japan.

Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was imposed by His Worship, for unlawfully returning from banishment, while the charge of larceny was withdrawn.

**GERMAN DANCER'S POPULARITY.**

Exhibition At Helena May.

A very enthusiastic reception was given to Miss Norda Mata, the attractive German dancer, whose exhibition of modernistic dances delighted a large attendance at the Helena May Institute last night.

So popular was her exhibition that she had to acknowledge her audience's approval no less than five times at the conclusion of her exhibition.

**GERMANY'S 2,000 "YOUTH INNS."**

Castle Becomes Hostel For Hikers.

Berlin. The historic Bütow Castle, the best preserved castle ruin in Pomerania, has been partially restored as a hostel for hikers.

There are now more than 2,000 hostels for hikers in Germany, and the report of the National Association for German Youth Inns states that they hope to add the Heimhof Castle in the Upper Palatinate to the number of hostels.—Reuter.

**CHANGE IN WARSHIP MOVEMENTS**

The announcement that the Aircraft Carrier Hermes, and the Destroyer Wishart, would leave for Tsingtao to-morrow is cancelled, according to information received this morning from the Naval Intelligence Centre. Their departure North is indefinite.

To-Day's Short Story.

**FIVE RICH MEN**

By Sidney Denham.

THE atmosphere at the dinner table was strained, in spite of the excellent food and carefully chosen wines. The five men engaged in conversation, but as they passed from soup to fish, from fish to roast, it was evident that only Sinclair Armstrong, at the top of the table, was enjoying the meal. Even in evening dress it was evident that the man on his right was an artist. The place card in a little silver holder in front of him bore the name Charles Dixon. After each course, Dixon pushed his plate impatiently an inch away from him. It was the gesture of a man who was finding little pleasure in the food, because he knew the desert would not be pleasant.

His neighbour's sun-bronzed face bore a look of indifference. Richard Devlin was not twenty-five, but from his air of boredom you would have imagined that dining by candle-light off exquisite food, served on precious china, with a millionaire as host, was an everyday experience.

The other two guests seemed happier. John Sayer was unconscious of the fact that his clothes were obviously ready-made. He was perhaps a little overawed, but obviously free from worry. Neville Craddock, sitting next to him, wore a self-satisfied look, but Sinclair Armstrong, who studied each of his guests in turn, did not miss the nervous gestures that spoke of a troubled mind. He himself looked anything but the traditional millionaire. At first glance you might have put him down for a Fellow of an Oxford College. A closer study would have revealed a certain hardness in the eyes. When Armstrong said that he was a millionaire by profession, but a student by birth, you believed him.

The meal came to an end at last. The butler placed liqueurs, coffee and cigars on the table and retired, closing the door firmly. Matches flared as four cigars were lighted. Devlin pulled out a cigarette-case with the remark, "I prefer one of these if you don't mind." But he gave the impression that really it mattered very little whether he had a two-shilling cigar or a ten for sixpenny "gasper."

**LOCAL SOLICITOR WEDS.**

Miss V. Butterfield And Mr. D. B. Evans.

RECEPTION AT H.K. HOTEL.

A charming wedding took place yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, when Miss Veronica Butterfield, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Butterfield of 501 the Peak, became the wife of Mr. Donald Brittan Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brittan Evans of Clifton, England.

Father Bignati officiated at the wedding which was choral and splendidly attended.

The bride who was given away by her father, was attended by the Misses Elida and Rita Butterfield, bridesmaids.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton assumed the duties of best man while Messrs. A. H. Harbord, Allan Gordon, G. P. Ferguson, G. Nigel and H. B. V. Moscrop were the ushers.

A reception was later held at the Hong Kong Hotel. The honeymoon will be spent in Japan.

**DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT.**

Dr. Marian O'Brenski.

The death took place at the Royal Hospital yesterday, after a long illness, of Dr. Marian O'Brenski, a very old resident of the Colony and anti-slavery, Chief Chemist of the Yaloo Sugar Refinery.

A native of Poland, the deceased had been with his late employers for 45 years, having arrived in the Colony in 1888.

Although deceased had been in the Colony for 45 years, he was only a member of the Rotary Club. He leaves a wife, three sons and a daughter. The funeral will take place on Monday.

A pall of blue smoke began to gather over the table. The guests looked expectantly towards their host. Sinclair Armstrong leaned back in his chair, took his cigar from his mouth and began:

"Well, gentlemen, we are alone and I want your verdicts. It has been an expensive experiment and a long one, but as I explained, my money gives me little pleasure except when used in such ways. I hope that before the evening is over I shall feel my money has been well spent. I shall be very disappointed if you are exactly of the same opinion as you were in the railway carriage that night exactly two years ago."

He waved his cigar round the table and looked inquiringly at his guests. Charles Dixon opened his mouth as if about to speak and then shut it again without making a sound.

"Two years is a long time, but I am sure you have not forgotten that chance brought us together in a first-class compartment of the Flying Scot, that you, Dixon, and Craddock got into a discussion about the relative importance of money and happiness and that we other three joined in."

**TO-MORROW'S STORY.**

To-morrow's story will be "Escape From The Valley," by Lord Dunsany.

"I found myself in a minority, defending the proposition that mere money brought nothing in the way of happiness, that it was the method of spending it that mattered, and that the man earning a competence who was unhappy would certainly not be made happy by five thousand a year."

There were nods of assent from round the table.

"You all disagreed and I explained that I was a dabbler in psychology. I said that the mistake made by psychologists was that they did not rely sufficiently upon experimental data. I suggested that I would pay each of you the sum of £5000 a year for two years. I hope, by the way, that you received your cheques regularly every quarter." Armstrong broke off.

The guests nodded. Sayer said, "Yes, sir."

"Good. You probably thought," Armstrong continued, "I was a wealthy eccentric. I had some difficulty in persuading you that I was perfectly serious and prepared to pay a considerable sum to test a theory. Well, I have fulfilled my part of the bargain. Now I must ask you to fulfill yours quite simply. We have met as agreed. You will remember I gave you perfect freedom to spend the money exactly as you liked in your search for happiness. Now I want to know what you have done, whether you are happy."

Armstrong's face had become stern. "You will forgive me if I turn," he said slowly, "My deductions depend absolutely upon your evidence. I think I have paid you generously—it was necessary to the experiment. I must ask you to be perfectly frank, even if it hurts you. We were strangers when we met two years ago. We have not met in the interval. We shall be strangers when we part. I do not think anyone will repeat anything given under the seal of confidence."

He took a sip of his brandy, then turned to his right. "You, Dixon, as guest on my right, might have the privilege of beginning. If I remember rightly, two years ago you said that only a few thousands prevented you painting a masterpiece that would be hailed by discerning people in every part of the world."

Armstrong had taken out a small notebook and a pencil. "As," he spoke he scribbled a few words. Dixon's face flushed. For perhaps 20 seconds he seemed to be bracing himself to an ordeal. Then he took a leisurely puff at his cigar.

"You win, Armstrong," he said, briefly. "About all your money has done is to make me feel the necessity of telling the painful truth for once. I am a better artist than I was a maker, but my success is partially due to my money."

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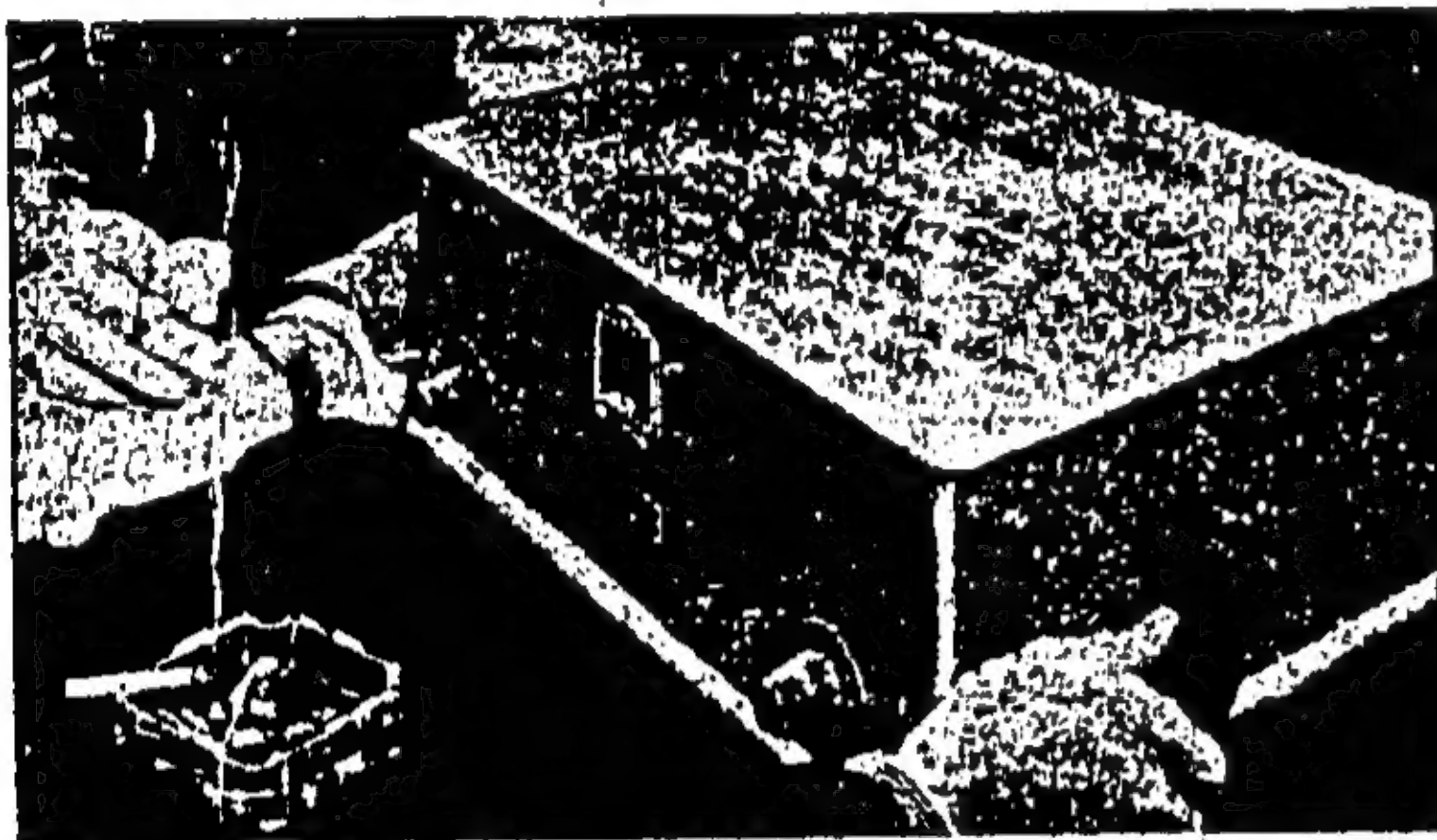
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## BASEBALL BRAWL IN NEW YORK

Yankees Rout Senators  
By 16 to 0.POLICE CALLED IN TO  
QUELL CROWDS

New York, To-day.

There was very nearly a riot during the fourth innings of the American League baseball game between the New York Yankees and Washington Senators here yesterday.

A free-for-all fight ensued in front of the Washington dug-out, but the police quelled the disturbance after five minutes. The occurrence is attributed to the feud existing since the Dickey Reynolds' affair last summer.

The Yankees avenged their two successive defeats at the hands of the Senators in magnificent style.

Lou Gehrig hit his fourth homer to top the home run parade and Lazzeri added a second to the Yanks' tally of 16 runs and 21 hits, while Vanatta blanked the Senators for no runs and only five hits.

Cleveland Indians benefitted by the Washington defeat when they outthit the Browns to record a 4 to 1 win. They are now third in the table.

The American League game between Detroit Tigers and Chicago White Sox was abandoned owing to a fall of snow.

The following were the results of yesterday's games as cabled by Reuters:

National League.			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	1	9	3
Berger hit a homer.			
Pittsburgh	7	12	0
V. Davis hit a homer.			
Brooklyn	2	5	3
Taylor hit a homer.			
New York	9	12	0
Melville Ott hit a homer.			

Chicago	3	7	1
Cincinnati	5	9	1
Bozongley hit a homer.			

Philadelphia	3	9	1
St. Louis	10	10	0
Watkins and Frisch hit homers.			

American League.			
	R.	H.	E.
New York	16	21	1
Lazzeri and Lou Gehrig hit homers.			

Washington	0	5	1
Philadelphia	4	8	2
Boston	6	10	1

St. Louis	1	7	0
Cleveland	4	8	1

National League.			
	W.	L.	Per.
Pittsburgh	8	1	.888
New York	4	3	.571
Philadelphia	5	5	.500
Brooklyn	4	5	.444
St. Louis	4	5	.444
Cincinnati	3	4	.428
Boston	8	5	.375
Chicago	3	6	.333

American League.			
	W.	L.	Per.
New York	8	2	.800
Chicago	8	3	.727
Cleveland	6	5	.545
Detroit	5	5	.500
Washington	6	6	.500
Boston	4	6	.400
Philadelphia	4	8	.333
St. Louis	3	9	.250

## China Mail Sports Diary.

TO-DAY

Wah Tai College  
(Caroline Hill, 120 p.m.)  
Football—First Division.  
S. China v. Chinese Athletic  
(Caroline Hill)  
St. Joseph's v. Police  
(Kowloon F.C. ground, 5.15 p.m.)

SATURDAY

Football—First Division.  
Club v. Police  
Navy v. South Wales Borderers  
St. Joseph's v. Recreation  
South China v. Lincoln  
Lynn Bowls—Second Division.  
Civil Service v. Kowloon C.C.  
Kowloon B.C.C. v. Yacht Club  
Club de Recreation v. Police  
Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong Electric  
Racing  
Fifth Extra Race Meeting  
(Happy Valley)

SUNDAY

Yachting  
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's  
Boys' Race  
Special First Division  
Chinese Athletic v. Kowloon

## Y.M.C.A. GALA

Volunteers v. Rest  
At Water Polo.

PROGRAMME FOR MAY 13

Bertie Rasmussen Taking Part  
In Big Event  
(By CRAWL.)

An entertaining aquatic programme was arranged by the Swimming Committee of the Y.M.C.A. last night for their first Gala on May 13 at 9 p.m.

Mr. E. F. Selk, was in the Chair and was supported by Mr. E. W. Ralston, Hon. Secretary and Mr. A. Donn, Hon. Treasurer. Messrs. W. Campbell and W. Kerr were also present.

After much discussion on various events it was decided to hold a water-polo game between Volunteer members of the Y.M.C.A. and the Rest as I suggested in a recent article.

Other events in the programme will be:

50 Yards Aggregate (Men).  
50 Yards Ladies' Handicap.  
Novelty Race (Pygmy Race).  
Exhibition Diving.  
200 Yards Team Race.

Two well balanced teams have been selected for the final event of the night—the water polo game.

A new acquisition to the Volunteers is W. Schreuder who will be missed from the Rest, although the Rest are compensated by the fact that B. Rasmussen (Canton), one of the "Y's" best all rounders, has signified his intention of assisting them.

The Volunteer's members will have a very strong defence in J. Henry and W. Kerr, ably backed up by A. Donn, while their forwards will in all probability be G. Fowler, W. Schreuder and L. Goldman or E. F. Selk.

The Rest have an excellent goal-keeper in G. Angus, two good backs in Manning Ralston and B. L. Lange and a star pivot in Eric Ralston.

The forward line will be W. Campbell on the right wing; B. Rasmussen, as leader; and R. Goldman on the left wing.

The aquatic events will start promptly at 9 p.m. while dancing will be carried on until 1 a.m.

## H. K. C. C. TENNIS FINAL

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THE FINAL ROUND OF THE HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB'S HANDICAP DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT WAS COMPLETED YESTERDAY AT THE H.K.C.C. WHEN A. J. STOCKER AND M. F. H. WARING (—15) DEFEATED REV. LEWIS BRYAN AND CAPT. P. S. CANNON (—3.6) BY SCORES OF 7-5, 6-4.

IN THE SEMI-FINAL ROUND STOCKER AND WARING BEAT CAPT. J. J. WAITE AND CAPT. W. M. MORGAN (—3.6) 6-1, 6-2.

## GARRISON BILLIARDS LEAGUE

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FIRST SERIES ON MONDAY.

The South Wales Borderers Army Champions will be seen in action on Monday, May 1, when the first series of matches in the Garrison Billiards League will be decided.

The following are the fixtures:

May 1—	Lincoln v. R.A.M.C.	Borderers v. R.A.M.C.	Small Units v. R.E.
May 2—	R.A.M.C. v. Lincoln	Borderers v. R.E.	Small Units v. R.A.
May 3—	Lincoln v. R.E.	R.A.M.C. v. R.A.	Borderers v. Small Units
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## RANGERS

WIN SCOTTISH  
LEAGUE TITLEMotherwell Only Draw  
At Third Lanark.

LAST GAME ON SATURDAY

London, To-day.

Motherwell have failed to retain the Scottish League soccer championship which they won last year for the first time.

Yesterday Third Lanark shared two goals with Motherwell on their own ground, and thus robbed the champions of their last hope of tying with Glasgow Rangers, who play their last game of the season at Hamilton on Saturday. Motherwell play Cowdenbeath in their last fixture. — Reuter.

After a break of three years, during which period they have won the Scottish Cup once, the Rangers have regained the championship they last won in the 1931 season after a sequence of five triumphs. They have now won the title on nineteen occasions. The Celtic are their nearest rivals with sixteen wins.

TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Rangers	37	25	2	10	60
Motherwell	37	26	6	5	57
Celtic	38	20	10	8	48
Hearts	36	20	9	7	47
St. Johnstone	37	17	10	10	44
Hamilton	37	18	13	6	42
Aberdeen	36	17	13	6	40
St. Mirren	37	17	14	6	40
Partick	37	17	15	5	39
Queen's Park	36	16	13	7	39
Falkirk	37	15	17	5	35
Clyde	37	15	18	4	34
Third Lanark	37	14	17	6	34
Dundee	37	12	16	9	33
Kilmarnock	35	12	16	7	31
Ayr	38	13	21	4	30
Cowdenbeath	37	10	22	5	25
Airdrieonians	37	10	24	3	23
Morton	37	6	23	8	20
East Stirling	37	6	28	3	15

## EDINBURGH ACADEMICALS WIN AGAIN

Watsonians Beaten In  
"Sevens" Final.

TWELVE CLUBS ENTER.

London, April 4.

At Murrayfield on Saturday the eleventh of the annual series of senior seven-a-side Rugby sports, organised by the Edinburgh clubs in aid of the funds of the Royal Infirmary and Leith Hospital, was won for the second year in succession by Edinburgh Academicals, who defeated Watsonians after extra time in one of the most thrilling final ties that the series has produced.

The tournament was favoured with glorious weather, but the attendance was disappointing and probably did not exceed 8,000.

Invitations were accepted by twelve clubs, including Glasgow Academicals and Hillhead High School F.P., who participated for the first time, but the Dublin international fixture and the Gala Jubilee sports robbed the tournament of some of its ablest exponents and most prominent individual players. The double loss was reflected in the general standard of play, and though an interesting afternoon's sport was provided, the teams generally revealed an unfamiliarity with the specialised technique, brilliant stratagem and instant inception which this form of Rugby requires.

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# Sporting Page

## SATURDAY'S RACING

### MR. "JOHNNY" HEARD SHOULD BE FAVOURITE

Bag And Baggage May Beat Cyclamen Bay.

INTERESTING CARD

(By RAPIER.)

I UNDERSTAND that Mr. Dunbar's Diana Bay will not start in the Mount Parker Handicap at the fifth Extra Meeting at the Valley this Saturday, and that the stable is relying on Cyclamen Bay to carry the well-known pink and green colours first past the post.

Bag and Baggage, with Mr. "Johnny" Heard up, is going to prove a formidable opponent, and I am inclined to think that the champion jockey will be nosed out of a win by Mr. Chan Wing-yung's entry. Gleneagles will not prove a very strong contender although he beat Bag and Baggage by over four lengths at the Annual Meeting over the same distance.

It should, however, be a good race with the two leading jockeys in a fighting finish.

Hetman (Mr. G. U. da Roza) will also be a strong challenger for place money. Last time the pony was out he dead-heated with Cyclamen Bay over the same distance.

The race for Australians should witness a close struggle between Friar Tuck (Mr. Frost) and Canny (probably Mr. Heard). Lady Peel's Lucy Glitters (Mr. Black) should fill the third place.

Spotted Butterfly will not be starting in the St. George's Plate which is a "cinch" for Trentbridge. Jungle Jim and Poker Face, the only other two entrants, should finish in that order.

The High West Handicap will be one of the most open events of the day. In Daylight Eve, Navy Hall and Marquis Hall we have three potential winners, while Blue Star and The Tiger are also likely candidates.

Mr. Butler should record a win on Heltter Skelter in the Tai Mo Shan Handicap, though Orlando will require watching over this short distance. Mr. Frost, on Adam, may also be in the limelight.

Mr. Heard looks like recording a win on King's Parade in the "D" Class event, and it would be as well to follow him closely on Saturday. He is riding potential winners in Bag and Baggage, King's Parade, Gay Butterfly and Canny.

Krta Viz may cause an upset in the Hunchback's Plate. He looked in splendid trim this morning.

Duplex should run away with the second Kalgan Plate with Mr. Butler in the saddle, though Vigilance (Mr. da Roza) may cause some anxiety. The other new sub. event should witness a stirring struggle between De Minimis, Gay Butterfly and National Day. The last named will probably start favourite, but I think Gay Butterfly will beat him out of second place to De Minimis.

### SATURDAY'S ENTRIES

THE following are the handicaps for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting at the Valley next Saturday:

Mount Parker Handicap: "A" Class. Bag and Baggage (155), Cyclamen Bay (153), Diana Bay (168), Don (140), Gay Crusader (140), Gleneagles (154), Hetman (146), King's Bounty (140), King's Justice (140), Lunar Star (140), Sadko (152), Trentbridge (161), 12 Entries.

Mount Davis Handicap: "C" Class. Alexandra Hall (153), Californian (142), Dee (168), Double Face (140), Mignone (140), Per se (140), Solar Star (140), Street Singer (140), Tenorio (140), Tiltman (155), Wayward Stag (147), Widnes (140), 12 Entries.

Charters Towers Handicap. Lucy Glitters (160), Wootin (153), Mermid (150), Evening Star (155), Canny (145), Ration (150), Lunar (147), Suckeyback (147), But After That (153), Friar Tuck (150), City of Melbourne (143), The Kalgan (155), Connaught's Choice (150), 12 Entries.

St. George's Plate. Spotted Butterfly (140), Trentbridge (163), Jungle Jim (154), Poker Face (140), 4 Entries.

High West Handicap: "B" Class. Blaire (140), Blue Star (153), Bright Star (153), Daylight Eve (155), Jungle Jim (153), Marquis Hall (151), Mike (150), Navy Hall (140), Point Face (140), Spotted But-

### The Selections



- Race 1:—  
BAG AND BAGGAGE.  
CYCLAMEN BAY.  
HETMAN.
- Race 2:—  
WAYWARD STAG.  
ALEXANDRA HALL.  
WIDNES.
- Race 3:—  
FRIAR TUCK.  
CANNY.  
LUCY GLITTERS.
- Race 4:—  
TRENTBRIDGE.  
JUNGLE JIM.  
POKER FACE.
- Race 5:—  
DAYLIGHT EVE.  
MARQUIS HALL.  
NAVY HALL.
- Race 6:—  
HELTTER SKELTER.  
ORLANDO.  
ADAM.
- Race 7:—  
KING'S PARADE.  
JACK O' LANTERN.  
GOLD BAR.
- Race 8:—  
CHARMING FACE.  
WHITE BUTTERFLY.  
BLACK VELVET.
- Race 9:—  
VIGILANCE.  
THE PANTHER.
- Race 10:—  
DE MINIMIS.  
GAY BUTTERFLY.  
NATIONAL DAY.



MISS ENID LO, Colony Lawn Tennis champion for the past three years, is being married to Mr. J. L. Litton at the Registry Office this afternoon. The reception is being held at the Hong Kong Hotel at 4.30 p.m.

terfly (140), The Tiger (165), Turn (162), Vicious (162), Wonderful Stag (140), 14 Entries.

Tai-Mo-Shan Handicap: "D" Class:

First Section.  
Adam (150), Amy (162), Banjolla (154), Cebu (140), Eak (161), Glen Shee (153), Gold Ring (161), Golly Eyes (153), Heltter Skelter (169), Iron Grey (153), Jingle (145), King Salmon (153), King's Company (150), Orlando (150), Partnership (140), Powerful King (152), Snappy Eye (154), The Leader (161), Valley Hall (140), 10 Entries.

Tai-Mo-Shan Handicap: "D" Class:

Second Section.

Aqua Pura (140), Black Rock (155), Gold Bar (165), Rey Tor (152), Tick O' Lantern (152), King's Parade (153), Maria Petra (161), Molybdeno (158), Mistletoe (155), Spotted Leaf (153), Suckeyback (150), Swale (147), The Crook (158), The Gadwall (168), The Goat (155), 15 Entries.

The "Hunchback's" Plate (5 Furlongs).

White Butterfly (149), Auction Bridge (147), Black Velvet (147), Never Mind (145), Heather Leaf (140), Charming Face (153), Krta Viz (145), Gold Bridge (145), Ta Peaslee (147), Lucky Star (147), 10 Entries.

Second Kalgan Plate (1 Mile).

Adon (152), Bagulo (155), Bold General (155), Connaught's Blood (155), Cuckoo Eyes (155), Darlen (155), Dolly Conduct (152), Duplex (161), Fanny Face (153), Glorious Day (152), Gold Age (155), Grand Shams (155), Melody (161), No Fear (161), Now's the Time (161), Paul Jones (152), The Panther (152), The Raincoat (155), Triumph (155), Victor (158), Vigilance (155), 21 Entries.

Second Subscription Griffling Plate.

Adon (152), Bagulo (155), Darlen (155), De Minimis (155), Disorderly Conduct (152), Duplex (161), Gay Butterfly (155), Gold Age (155), Melody (161), National Day (162), No Fear (161), Now's the Time (161), Paul Jones (152), Victor (158), 21 Entries.



"Pelorous Jack" (left) and "Kelliboro" Jack" taking the last fence in the Grand National at Aintree. The latter American-owned horse won with D. Williams up in record time. Really True was second, three lengths behind the winner. Pelorous Jack fell at this fence and did not finish.

## RACING FLASHES

### Use of Whip with the New Subs.

Mr. V. V. Needa, the Shanghai jockey, who remained in Hong Kong for four meetings after the Annual Meeting, has left for Shanghai. It is doubtful whether he will be seen at the Valley again this season.

Mr. Dunbar's ponies will be leaving for Taingao at the end of this month. Every year they receive their off season training at this port. Mr. Dunbar is now en route for San Francisco.

The Kong Bros' stable is also being sent to Taingao early next month, and it is probable that the Dynasty ponies will make the trip at the same time.

The following are the records of the three leading jockeys, including only official races at the Valley, Macao and Kwanti:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Unp.
Mr. A. J. P. Heard	21	11	15	29
Mr. L. G. Frost	17	14	11	31
Mr. V. V. Needa	14	16	13	33

For some time I have had it at the back of my mind that one of the best things the Stewards of the Jockey Club could do in the interests of the sport of racing would be to prohibit the use of whips in subscription griffin events.

I hate to see any pony knocked about, but I do think when a subscription griffin is whipped home in a strenuous finish the punishment is bound to vitiate the youngster's temperament, and make him disgusted with life before his career has really begun.

Many a pony has been soured after his first experience, because the jockey in his eagerness to win has not hesitated to "spare the rod and spoil the child."

FEW ponies display vice at an early age. If they do they are not much use for racing, and are best turned out of training.

Knocking them about with a whip in order to make them win makes them scared of the man a-top. Kindness with dumb animals is the finest incentive in the world.

Two First Division Soccer matches are down for decision this afternoon.

South China v. Athletic (Caroline Hill, 5.15 p.m.)  
Police v. St. Joseph's (Kowloon, 5.15 p.m.)

The following have been selected as referees for the Soldiers' Club Billiards Tournament: Mr. Gnr. Pine, L/Cpl. Herriott, C. M. S. Daniels, C/Sgt. Jarman (Colony runner-up), S/Sgt. Clarke, and Lt. King.

The following is the draw for the Soldiers' Club Billiards Tournament: 20th Battery E.A. v. "A" Coy, S.W.B. (May 2).

"B" Coy, S.W.B. v. "D" (MG) Coy, Lincoln (May 5).

12th R.A. v. "B" Coy, Lincoln (May 9).

"H" Wing, Lincoln v. H.K.V.D.C. (May 13).

Royal Engineers v. "A" Coy, Lincoln (May 16).

"B" Wing, S.W.B. v. "C" Coy, Lincoln (May 19).

E.A.M.C. v. Small Units (May 23).

24th R.A. v. Prison Officers' Mess (May 26).

The Inter-Schools Athletic Meeting will be held at Caroline Hill on Friday, May 5, commencing at 2.30 p.m. The following will be held next month: All-England, 22nd, and 17 women's organizations will be represented, according to the dates.

I will agree that a jockey has to master his horse, but, well-trained subscription griffins do not require much mastering.

They often run "green" because they don't know what they have to do. It is the art of jockeyship to teach them the way they should go, but it cannot be done by punishment.

OVER-RACING may sap all the vitality in a subscription griffin but use of the whip can do the damage in one pop.

I am against the over-racing of subscription griffins and I think the results of this year's events alone prove that the fewer races a good subscription griffin gets the more likely is he to give of his best in his second season.

Mrs. Ambrose Clark, whose Kelliboro Jack won the National, is a very rich American, known to all who hunt in Leicestershire as Mrs. "Brose". With her pin-cex and her precise air she has something of the governor in her appearance. People not knowing her would think her censorious. Those who do know her have endless tales of her wit, humour and kindness. No American has ever been better loved in England, unless perhaps, it is her husband.

"Brose" who is also very rich, is a grand fellow, wears a billycock hat and a covert coat, and looks like a figure out of Whyle Melville.

He has hunted in Leicestershire for years.

Horses have good memories, and the Grand National has provided striking illustrations of this fact. It is remarkable how some horses who have had ups and downs over Liverpool remember and hate the fence where they fell.

A London correspondent writes, that Winnall, who one year looked like running away with the race, got into trouble at the Canal Turn and thereafter would never jump it.

Aravalle, with Captain Percy Whitaker up, fell over Awbeg at Becher's second time round when full of running. He could never be induced to go near the fence again, and broke into a sweat even if led up to it.

—FALCON.

### JOYOUS GREETING WINS AT EPSOM.

20-1 Chance Comes Up.

London, Apr. 18.

Following is the result of the race for the Great Metropolitan Stakes, run at Epsom to-day:

1. Joyous Greeting
2. Notice Board
3. Grey Wonder

The betting was 20 to 1 against the winner, 8 to 1 against Notice Board, and 8 to 1 against Grey Wonder. Twelve horses ran.

Reuter.

### 2,000 GUINEAS AT NEWMARKET THIS AFTERNOON

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The probable starters and riders are:

- Harnero (Pat Beasley), Light Sussex (Taylor), Young Lover (Perryman), Madagascara (Caralake), King Salmon (Harry Wragg), Bready (Cliff Richards), Highlander (Wells), Lochiel (Dick), Melfort (Lane), Scarlet Tiger (A. Wragg), Solar Boy (Fred Fox), Interlace (Smith), Rodosta (Brethens), March Tor (Herbert), Felicitation (Beary), Gino (Elliot), Mannerling (Canty), Franz Hals (T. Burns), Fannma (Newick), Raymond (Nicholl), Statesman (Childs), Manitoba (Gordon Richards), Restormal (no jockey yet), Brunswick (Jones), Mainwood (Dickens), Titian (Steve Donoghue), Colorow (Weston), The Keen (Pat Donoghue), Tuppence (Marshall).

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Minnesinger, Spinningdale, Sunny Anna, Statuesque, Bipari, Eclair, Stairway, Papeterie, Rose de Vie, Star of England, Katherine Roet, Sybil Green, Nothing Doing, Song of Dawn, Mingled, Chincona, Levee, Olfa, Parsan, Moti Begum, Una, Dastaj, Fragrance, Epilga (late Corn Cure), Gold Race, Myrobella, Shela-na-zig, Snow Glory, Pat-a-Cake, Beauty Crest, Ling, Jacqueline of Hainault filly, Flying Falcon, Steppon, Silver Box, Coln of the Realm, Scintilla, Nemi, Fur Tor, Versicle, Chatelaine, Siclie Moon, Celestial City, Artistic, Brown Betty, Sweet Olive, and Arthusa.

### THE ST. LEGER

To be run at Doncaster on Sept. 13. Whitehead, Angelico, Canon Law, Harnero, Light Sussex, Mainwood, Corona-Corona, Thor II, Quyl, Belfry, Sacred Song, Young Lover, Teme Salmon, Madagascara, St. Kilda, Buchananette, Dona Sol, Black Moss, San Marco II, Sofatar, Typhonic, Cross Wind, Decarus, Highlander, Thrapston, Hyperion, Lochiel, Melfort, Beacon Hill, Scarlet Tiger, Solar Boy, Titian, Sans Peine, Interlace, Bipari, Blighy, Jodhpur, Scoopax, Alexander, Misanthropos, Volcanus, Coronado, Artesian, Melanor, Gino, Dastaj, Felicitation, Finnock, Mannerling, Foxbridge, Coronado, Franz Hals, Dracula, Bengal II, Hyperion, Tal-yang, Maseppa, Jeomond, Dona Grass, Cross Wind, Lover's Walk, Decarus, Bready, Bland, Highlander, Thrapston, Hyperion, Lochiel, Colliers Gorse, Melfort, Beacon Hill, Scarlet Tiger, Solar Boy, Titian, Sans Peine, Interlace, Blighy, Caymanas, Rodosta, Blisford Colt, March Tor, Alexander, Mereworth, The Prince, Valcanus, Coronado, Colorow, Ben-skin, Creme Caramel, Felicitation, Gino, Finnock, Mannerling, Foxbridge, Coronado, Franz Hals, Dracula, Bengal II, Happy Call, Amador, Lincrusta, Tal-yang, Great Dane, Maseppa, Jeomond, Dona Grass, Cross Wind, Golden Counsel, Galtzer, Monte Colaro, Panama, Vitruvius, Strathpey, Camping, Earleton, Raymond, Mansa, The Keen, Myosotis, Statesman, Attwood, Coleherne, Salic Law, Lord Byron, Carus, On Parade, Mantoba, Havelock, and Shrewton.

### THE OAKS

To be run at Epsom on June 2. Betty, Gerrard's Cross, Divine Lady, Wedding Feast, St. Kilda, Buchananette, Dona Sol, Golden Call, Solfatara, Typhonic, Cedarhurst,

The annual Hong Kong Area tennis league is due to commence on May 1, the competition being divided into two sections, Hong Kong and Kowloon.

The St. Andrew's Club bathing picnic by launch will commence on Saturday, May 20, at 3.30 p.m., returning at 7 p.m.

Allan, the Artillery's brilliant soccer forward, has now joined the Police Force. He will, however, be permitted to play for the Gunners in their remaining fixture this Saturday.

J. E. Medina, Shanghai Billiards champion for the past two years, entered the Semi-Final round of this year's tourney when he beat E. J. Barber by 1,000 points to 811 at the Union Club on Tuesday.

Juan Carlos Zabala, the Argentine runner who won the marathon race at the 1928 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, has been suspended for six months and forbidden to compete in international championships for an indefinite period by the Argentine Athletic Federation. This is understood to be the result of Zabala's criticism of the Federation.

## LINCOLNS ROUT CLUB



### Acceptances for Classics

The second acceptances for the Derby, Oaks and St. Leger are as follows:

### THE DERBY

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### THE OAKS

To be run at Epsom on June 2. Betty, Gerrard's Cross, Divine Lady, Wedding Feast, St. Kilda, Buchananette, Dona Sol, Golden Call, Solfatara, Typhonic, Cedarhurst,

Minnesinger, Spinningdale, Sunny Anna, Statuesque, Bipari, Eclair, Stairway, Papeterie, Rose de Vie, Star of England, Katherine Roet, Sybil Green, Nothing Doing, Song of Dawn, Mingled, Chincona, Levee, Olfa, Parsan, Moti Begum, Una, Dastaj, Fragrance, Epilga (late Corn Cure), Gold Race, Myrobella, Shela-na-zig, Snow Glory, Pat-a-Cake, Beauty Crest, Ling, Jacqueline of Hainault filly, Flying Falcon, Steppon, Silver Box, Coln of the Realm, Scintilla, Nemi, Fur Tor, Versicle, Chatelaine, Siclie Moon, Celestial City, Artistic, Brown Betty, Sweet Olive, and Arthusa.

### THE ST. LEGER

To be run at Doncaster on Sept. 13. Whitehead, Angelico, Canon Law, Harnero, Light Sussex, Mainwood, Corona-Corona, Thor II, Quyl, Belfry, Sacred Song, Young Lover, Teme Salmon, Madagascara, St. Kilda, Buchananette, Dona Sol, Black Moss, San Marco II, Sofatar, Typhonic, Cross Wind, Decarus, Highlander, Thrapston, Hyperion, Lochiel, Melfort, Beacon Hill, Scarlet Tiger, Solar Boy, Titian, Sans Peine, Interlace, Bipari, Blighy, Jodhpur, Scoopax, Alexander, Misanthropos, Volcanus, Coronado, Artesian, Melanor, Gino, Dastaj, Felicitation, Finnock, Mannerling, Foxbridge, Coronado, Franz Hals, Dracula, Bengal II, Hyperion, Tal-yang, Maseppa, Jeomond, Dona Grass, Cross Wind, Lover's Walk, Decarus, Bready, Bland, Highlander, Thrapston, Hyperion, Lochiel, Colliers Gorse, Melfort, Beacon Hill, Scarlet Tiger, Solar Boy, Titian, Sans Peine, Interlace, Blighy, Caymanas, Rodosta, Blisford Colt, March Tor, Alexander, Mereworth, The Prince, Valcanus, Coronado, Colorow, Ben-skin, Creme Caramel, Felicitation, Gino, Finnock, Mannerling, 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## FIVE RICH MEN

(Continued from page 7.)

"I appreciate your frankness," Dixon remarked sympathetically. "Perhaps for the benefit of my other guests you would be more explicit."

"You want your money's worth, don't you?" Dixon said, with a short laugh, then added, "I beg your pardon. You have really been very generous, but if there's anything that's more galling than having to admit that you have spent ten thousand pounds without doing the slightest good to anyone, I should like to know it."

He looked round the table. Devlin was still bored. Sayer, had fixed his eyes on his plate. Craddock was saying, as distinctly as he could say without uttering the words, "Poor fool."

"I thought money would enable me to mix with influential people. I thought it would set my mind free from petty worries, so that I could give myself wholly to my art. I thought I could go back to Sicily and paint the picture of the crooked streets and lazy people I had had in my mind since my honeymoon."

Dixon paused dramatically. If he had not chosen painting as a profession he would have made a first-rate actor.

"I was wrong. I went back to the town: invited influential people to stay with me. The town seemed to have lost its magic, and the influential people didn't accept the invitations. But I had plenty of spongers. I stayed for a year, hoping I would get the atmosphere back again. When I returned to England art agents seemed to have heard that I had come into some money. They thought I had become a dilettante. They regarded me as an amateur, and praised my work, where before they had been harshly critical. But they didn't buy it."

Words seemed to come more easily to Dixon as he warmed up to his subject. You might almost have thought that he was enjoying the confession. His host nodded, and Dixon went on.

"I became so used to being waited on hand and foot that I didn't do anything. I haven't finished a picture for six months. And now I am going to get back to work. Last week I woke up to the fact that my time was finished. I started squaring things up, paying off the servants, closing the big house I had rented. I am really looking forward to tomorrow, when my experiment will have ended. I shall be able to get back to what I was before I met you."

"What you were?" A smile passed over Armstrong's face. "Not quite what I was, perhaps. I shan't be worrying about money. I feel fit to do something worth while, to paint because I feel like it, and not because I want to be talked about. If I make money, well, it won't make any difference to me, again."

"Thank you, Dixon. You have given me good value for money," Armstrong made a note in his little book. "We must have another chat later." He pushed his chair back a little to obtain a clearer view of the guests furthest from him. "And, Sayer, what about you?"

John Sayer moistened his lips and tried to find words. He had been a clerk in a solicitor's office. Only an accident had resulted in his being seated in a first-class compartment on that fateful night. He was carrying some important documents, and his employers had reluctantly agreed that he would be safer on a long journey. Although he occupied the corner seat opposite Armstrong, his contribution to the argument had been a polite "No" or a "Do you really think so?"

"Well," It was Craddock who spoke, impatient at Sayer's silence.

Dixon glared across at the interrupter. He knew that if Sayer's story was anything like his own it was not going to be easy telling. "I'm afraid I haven't done anything interesting," Sayer was fumbling with his napkin. "You'll probably laugh when you hear it."

The faces round the table turned to smiles. One and all were intrigued to hear what this very ordinary little man, with the hair over his ears greying, had done with the money. "Blued the lot at Monte Carlo?" suggested Devlin.

"More likely some dame lifted it off him," sneered Craddock.

"I think perhaps it would be best if we let Mr. Sayer tell his own story," Armstrong's voice gave no hint of his thoughts.

"After I had delivered the documents I was carrying," began Sayer, "I stayed the night at an hotel."

"I went home next day and found your cheque waiting for me," Sayer paused. "My wife was with me when I opened it. To tell you the truth, I thought you had been pulling our legs when you took our addresses, and I didn't guess whom the letter was from."

The cheque tumbled out. My wife looked at it, read the figures—one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds. More than I had earned in the last nine years. I explained what had happened. My wife was convinced you were playing some sort of confidence trick."

The men laughed, but Armstrong was serious. "I told her I hadn't lent you a penny and that it couldn't be a con-trick because this one cheque represented more than all our savings. We went down to the bank together. They rang up about it and told us everything was in order. We put the money into a deposit account!"

"That's all, Mr. Armstrong. The money is still there, with accrued interest. My wife decided we couldn't touch it. She said no good would come of it. So we've jugged along. My wife expects me to tell her what you want done with the money when I return."

"I thought I made it clear that the money was yours, to do exactly what you liked with," Armstrong did not sound angry. "But I am not sure that your story is not better than if you had, as one of my guests suggested, blued the lot at Monte Carlo. Have you never been tempted to spend the money?"

Sayer dropped his eyes. "I was at first. Once when I badly wanted a new lawn-mower, and then later, when my boy left school. But my wife said the old mower had served us well and that it would be better for our boy to get a scholarship—the incentive would make him work."

"I think your wife is, perhaps, a wise woman, Sayer. You are very fortunate. We must discuss what you will do with the money later—certainly I cannot take it back."

"Better let me invest it for you," Sayer, Craddock said, "I'll double it for you in three weeks."

"What about you, Devlin?" Armstrong deliberately ignored Craddock. Devlin was silent for a moment.

"Made no difference to me at all," he drawled. "Spent every penny of it, and I believe I have a few debts as well."

"You had those two years ago," (Continued on Page 11.)

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Tuesday, April 25.

Achilles, British str., 7,202 tons, Capt. W. Coker, from Singa-pore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

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Glenshane, British str., 4,012 tons, Capt. Check, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J.M. & Co.

Kwangtung, British str., 1,572 tons, Capt. D. D. Richards, from Hol-how, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. T. Tomimaga, from Canton, Stonecutters Anchor-age.—N.Y.K.

Saale, German str., 4,433 tons, Capt. Daniel, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—Melchers & Co.

Svale, British str., 1,354 tons, Capt. Wilkins, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.

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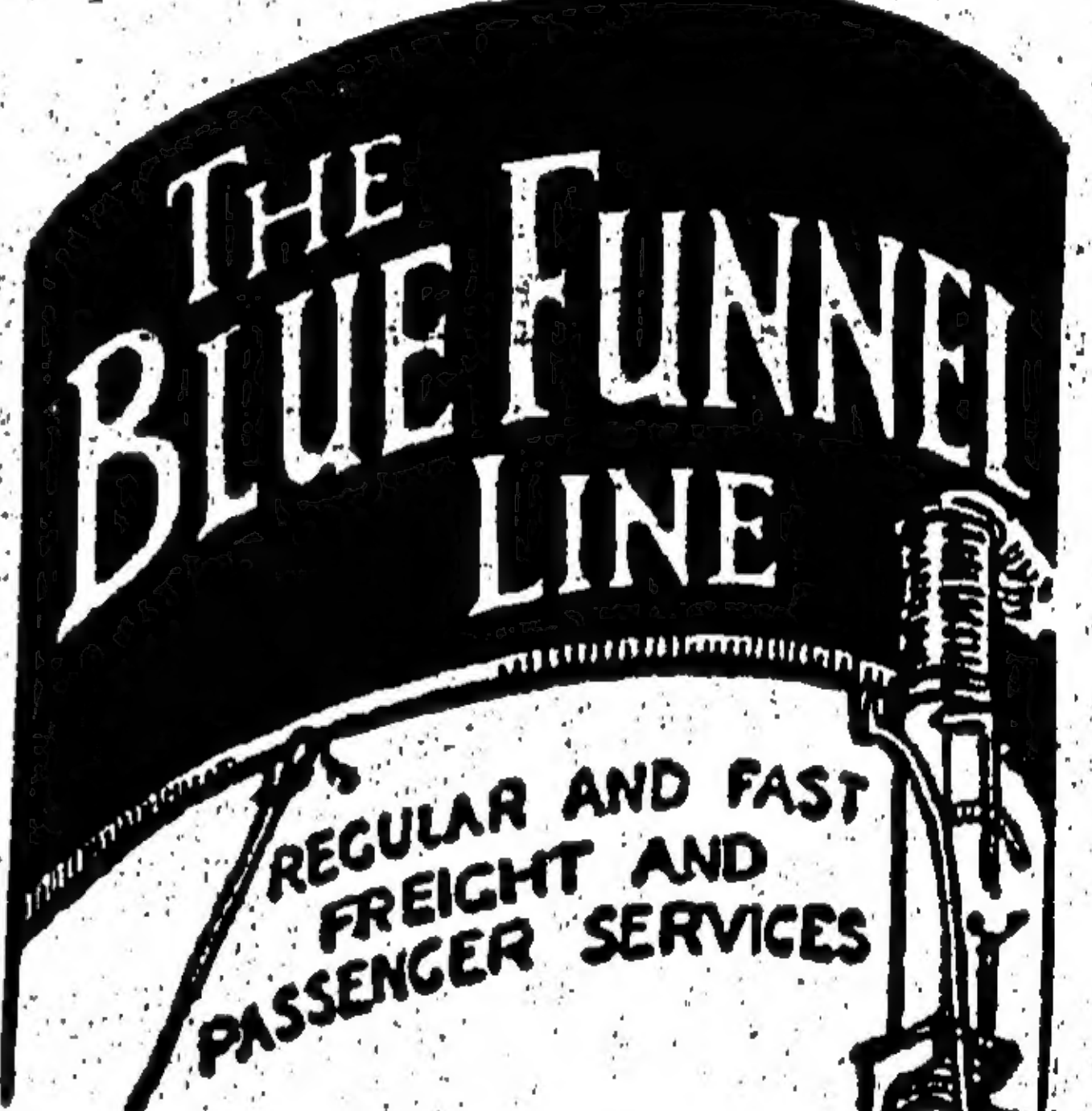
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## FIVE RICH MEN

(Continued from Page 10.)

"Yes, just the usual, you know—  
tailor and what not. Travelled twice  
round the world, but there's no differ-  
ence between Honolulu and Hanoi or  
the smoking-room of the latest liner  
and the lounge at the club. Human  
nature same the world over."

"You've done no business, no  
work?"  
"Business? Terrible. Catching the  
8.35. Going out for coffee at 11.  
Bored at lunch. Sleeping all after-  
noon till tea, catching the 6.45 home.  
It's the same travelling. Always  
catching something, but at a different  
time."

"You're difficult to please, Devil.  
Has the money done you no good?"  
"Sounds rude, I know, but you asked  
me to speak the truth. Other  
people have the money now, in any  
case. I've paid my tailor once or  
twice. Not that it matters. I'm go-  
ing away to-morrow."

"Going away?" Armstrong's inter-  
est was quickened.  
"Bought a tub, ketch, or something.  
Think of sailing her to South America.  
Just going with my wife. Married  
last week. She thought it would be  
thrilling. No one else on board."

"Armstrong was thoughtful for a  
minute. 'I'm not so sure you haven't  
invested the money very well, Devil,'  
he said with an understanding smile.  
'I hope you won't find the South At-  
lantic rough. I should not like to think  
of you losing the brave woman who has  
married you!'"

"Oh, Jill! a sport. She thought it  
better to be food for sharks at sea than  
sharks in hotels."

There was a laugh, and Armstrong  
turned to Neville Craddock.

"You're last, Craddock," he invited.  
Craddock put down his cigar. "I've  
done pretty well for myself," he said.  
"As I said I would do, I've quadrupled  
the money. Forty thousand pounds.  
And when the deal I've got on is finish-  
ed I shall be able to write a cheque  
for a quarter of a million."

"I was really asking about hap-  
piness, not money, Craddock."

"I'm perfectly satisfied."  
"The money never worries, you  
don't lie awake."

"Only fools do that. I know how to  
handle money. It was only lack of  
capital keeping me down before. My  
investments are dead cert."

"Very fortunate and clever. And  
your personal affairs? I had heard  
that your wife—"

Armstrong stopped short. Crad-  
dock coloured. "You mean that case  
last month. Tried to keep it out of  
the papers, but I could not. Women  
are funny; but a wife that objects to  
your having a few friends isn't worth  
keeping. Damn silly, just because—"

"We read the details in the head-  
lines, Craddock. You apparently  
dazzled some unnamed woman with  
your money, took her to the South  
of France. But you were perfectly  
happy?"

"If you put it like that, Armstrong,  
Craddock sounded annoyed. "She was  
just a silly little fool. She could have  
stopped the case with one little lie.  
Anyway, my money will bring plenty  
more like her."

"This unnamed woman in the case,  
this Mrs. A. Did you think of her hap-  
piness?" Armstrong spoke delib-  
erately. "Did you think of her hus-  
band?"

"We are talking of my happiness,  
not anyone else's," exclaimed Crad-  
dock heatedly. "I don't see why you  
want to drag up this case."

"I am a seeker after truth, Crad-  
dock. You said you were perfectly  
happy. Perhaps you do not know the  
right name of your Phyllis, your Mrs.  
A."

"The other three men were staring  
hard at Craddock or they would have  
noticed Armstrong's face. His eyes  
were ablaze, his pointed chin stuck  
out."

Craddock shook his head, but turned  
a little pale.

"I called her Phyllis," he said weak-  
ly.

"The woman Craddock was Mrs.  
Armstrong, my wife."

"Sinclair Armstrong's voice was cold.  
"You lied to her about your being a  
bachelor, told her that her husband  
neglected her, sent her flowers when  
she was away from home—"

Armstrong learned forward. Craddock tapped his  
cigar impatiently on the ash-tray. "Now  
I am going to pay you, Craddock."

Armstrong's voice was like that of a  
judge passing sentence of death.  
"Pay me?"

"Yes, not as I have paid you up to  
now, but your own dirty coin, Crad-  
dock. A thousand pounds to cover  
Suez-Mer Consolidated, isn't it, every  
penny of it?"

Craddock was silent. His face had  
gone ashy.

"I know it is, Craddock. You think  
they are going to jump a dozen points  
on the strength of developments, don't  
you? And so they are. But not be-  
fore you're clean out. I hold easily  
the biggest group of shares, and they're  
going down, down, until you are clean  
ed out."

Silence descended on the table. Crad-  
dock was slumped in his chair, his  
eyes fixed on the plate in front of him.  
Armstrong took a last draw at his  
cigar and deliberately ground the ash  
in the ash-tray. Sayer and Dixon  
watching, fascinated, thought the  
action symbolic. At last their host  
pushed back his chair.

"A very pleasant evening gentlemen.  
There remain a few settlements to  
make, but they can wait."

It was an invitation to go. The men  
got up, except Craddock. The other  
three, however, still he jumped up and  
thumped his fist on the table.

"You can't do it, Armstrong," he  
shouted. "I didn't know it was your  
wife. You won't throw those shares on  
the market, will you?" His eyes were  
bloodshot. "It means nothing to you,  
Armstrong, yours? A rich man? A  
white cane in his eye? That's not his  
name, is it?" he shouted, and then  
stopped suddenly.

"I think you had better go," Arm-

## ANZAC DINNER

(Continued from Page 7.)

### Gallipoli Story.

He said:—  
"The story of Gallipoli is known  
to all students of military history.  
There are some who say that it was  
a failure; others claim that despite  
the fact that the Peninsula was not  
crossed and the Narrows taken, the  
operation was far from being a  
failure from the point of view of  
strategy. Be that as it may. Those  
eight months on Gallipoli made men  
out of more boys. It taught them  
to be self-reliant—it brought to the  
surface those latent capabilities and  
their capacity for enduring hard-  
ships, which, under ordinary con-  
ditions, would assuredly have crush-  
ed them. The morale of the troops  
was never in doubt at any time,  
and carefree cheerfulness was the  
rule rather than the exception."

"The Australian and New Zea-  
land Forces were mainly composed  
of youngsters whose ages ranged  
from 19 to 23, and to the majority  
it was a great lark. In an attack  
in the face of withering and deadly  
fire, these youngsters said—'Well,  
we've got to get it sometime—come  
on coppers' and over 'the top' they  
went. It was not bravado, but a  
wish to get on with the job and  
have it over. This was particularly  
true of the Turkish attack on 19th  
May."

### First "Anzac" V.C.

"It was in this stunt that the first  
Australian V.C. was won by Captain  
Jacka, then a private in the 14th  
Battalion. No doubt Captain Trotter  
of the Jats who is here this evening  
and who was Adjutant of our 2nd  
Battalion will remember this  
episode. A few days later an  
armistice was arranged so that each  
side could bury their dead which  
was strewn over the short stretch  
of land between the opposing  
trenches."

"The Aussie burial parties chaff-  
ed the Turks in a friendly way with  
smatterings of Arabic picked up in  
Egypt, and even exchanged cigar-  
ettes and souvenirs with them, and  
when the burying of the dead was  
finished and both sides were re-  
turning to their own lines one  
"Digger" shouted "Good bye Johnny  
—play you again next Saturday."

Such was the spirit which persisted  
at Anzac until the evacuation. It  
was here that the great friendship  
sprang up between the New Zea-  
landers, Australians and the 29th  
Division."

### Anzac Baptism.

"The name of Anzac will live for  
ever in Australia and New Zealand,  
even as the name of the "Old  
Contemptibles" will live for ever in  
England, for it was at Anzac that  
Australia and New Zealand received  
their baptism of fire as Nations.  
It was very gratifying to see at the  
Centenary to-day representatives of  
the Navy, Army, Air Force, the  
Hong Kong Volunteer Defence  
Corps and many private bodies, and  
I am hoping that next year it can  
be enlarged to compare with  
similar ceremonies that are held  
down South."

"Gentlemen, I will now ask you to  
stand to attention for a brief while  
as a mark of remembrance of those  
who now rest at Gallipoli. Gentle-  
men—The toast is Anzac."

Company's Activities.  
Reviewing the years activities of  
the Anzac Dinner, Lieut. Robertson  
said:—

"The Anzac Company is one year  
old to-night. We have passed the  
first milestone, and I am very  
proud of the efforts put forth by  
all ranks during its first year. We  
held our first parade on May 9 and  
were able to turn out and take part  
in the parade on the King's Birth-  
day just four weeks after."

"The Company has still a lot to  
learn especially as regards arms  
drill and musketry, but when one  
remembers the fact that when a  
recruit joins the Regular Army, he  
has to do eighteen weeks, six hours  
per day—roughly 648 hours con-  
secutive training before he can be  
posted to a Battalion, I do not think  
that the Anzac Company has done so  
badly after 45 drills of one hour,  
which not only included arms drill,  
squad drill and some musketry,  
but enabled them to learn sufficient  
to win the Machine Gun Competition  
in less than eight months from the  
time that the Company was formed."

"This was due in a very great  
measure to Lieutenant Way for the  
painstaking manner in which he  
conducted the training of his  
platoon. For his attention to de-  
tails and his unbounded enthusiasm  
which was readily taken up by the  
team members, who, realising the  
qualities of the other competing  
teams, resolved that they would be  
somewhere in the running, even if  
they did not win. We realise that  
we are going to have a hard job to  
hold that Cup, but I am confident  
that every man in the Company will  
do his utmost to retain it for yet  
another year."

## NAVIGATION BUREAU TO SURVEY SHIPPING

A survey of all foreign ships  
trading in Chinese ports will be  
conducted by the Shanghai Naviga-  
tion Bureau it was made known re-  
cently.

The survey, to be made at the  
request of the Ministry of Com-  
munications, is expected to be de-  
layed, however, because of objec-  
tions voiced by several foreign  
shipping companies. Negotiation  
with foreign powers is now under  
way.

## STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia"  
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Manila) on the same day at  
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will leave Hong Kong for Manila at  
5 p.m. to-day.

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will leave Kobe to-day at 4 p.m. and  
leave Yokohama for Hong Kong, Vi-  
ctoria and Vancouver on April 28  
(Fri.) 3 p.m.

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don, Strath and Manila left Singa-  
pore for this port on April 22 and  
is due to arrive here on May 8.

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left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via  
Honolulu, Japan ports and Shang-  
hai, on the 22nd April (Saturday),  
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